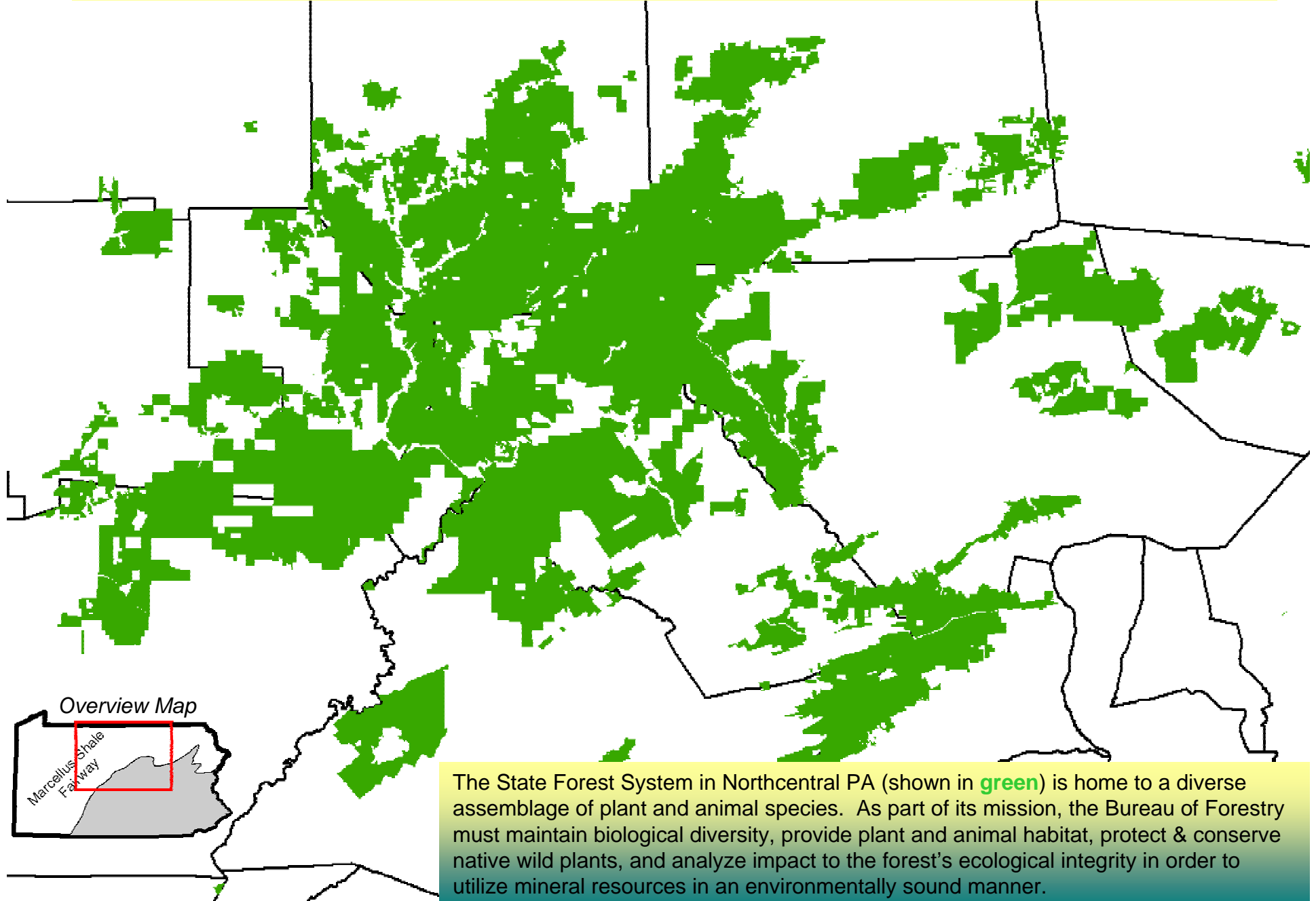
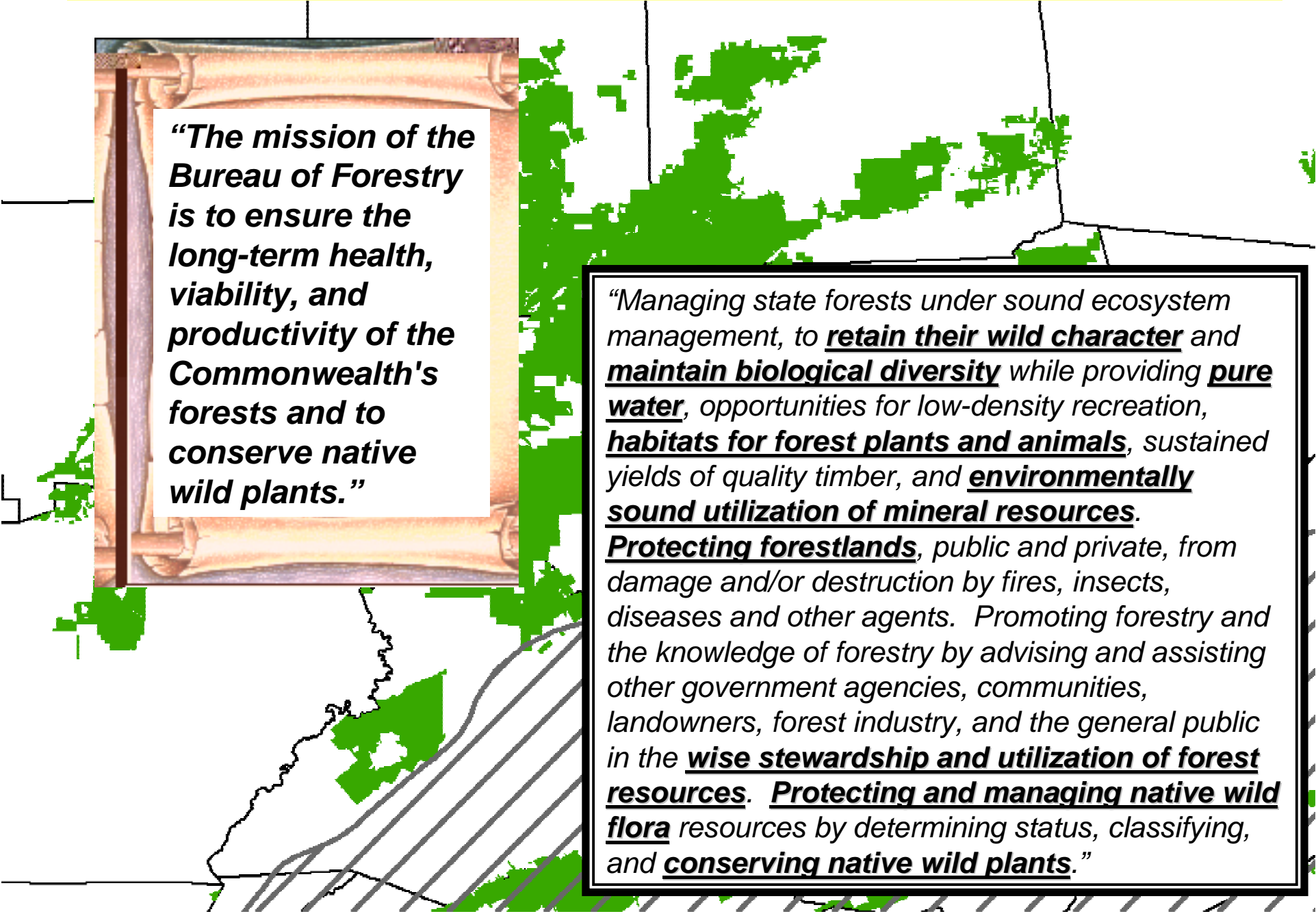


State Forest Land in North-Central Pennsylvania



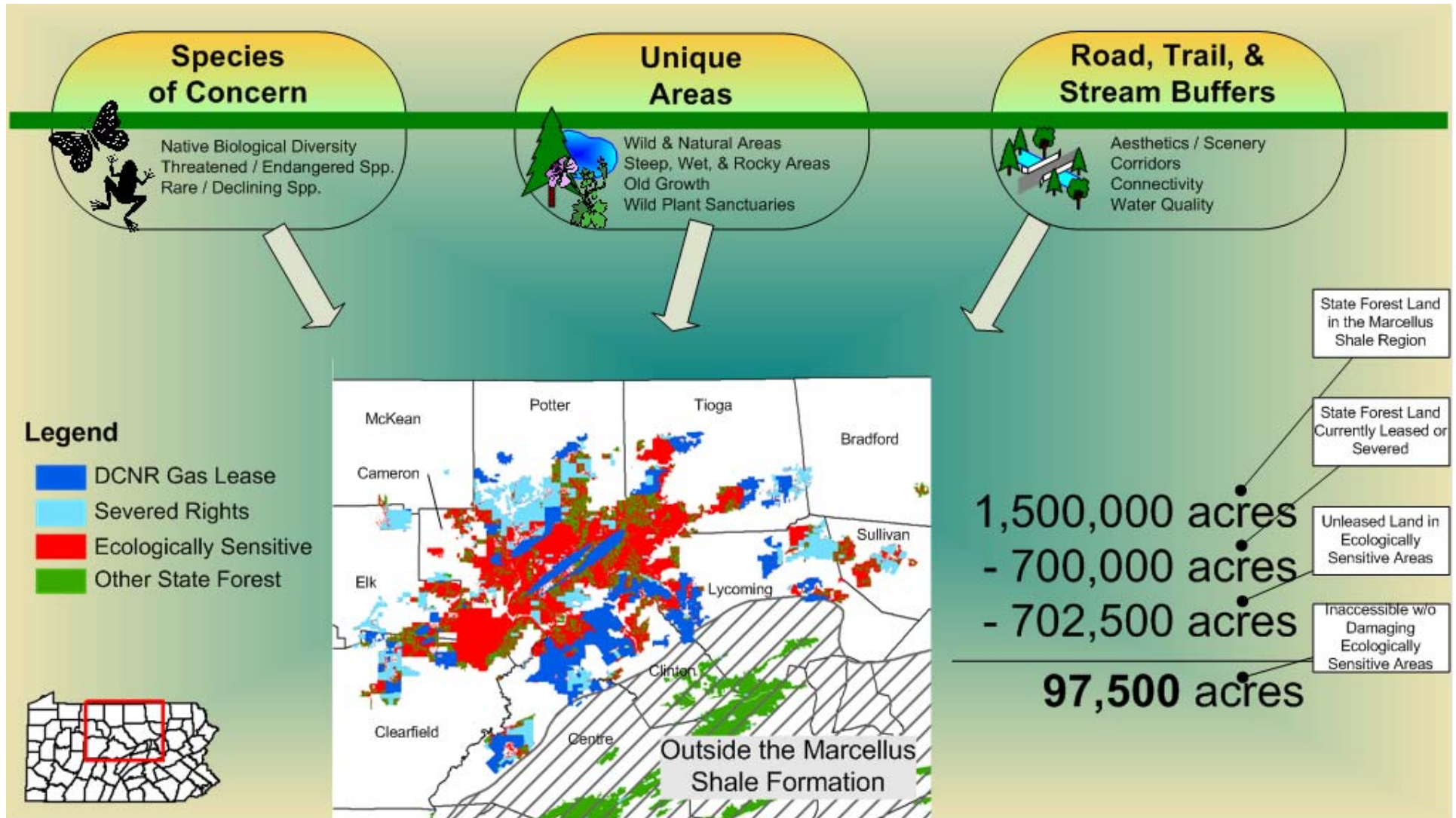
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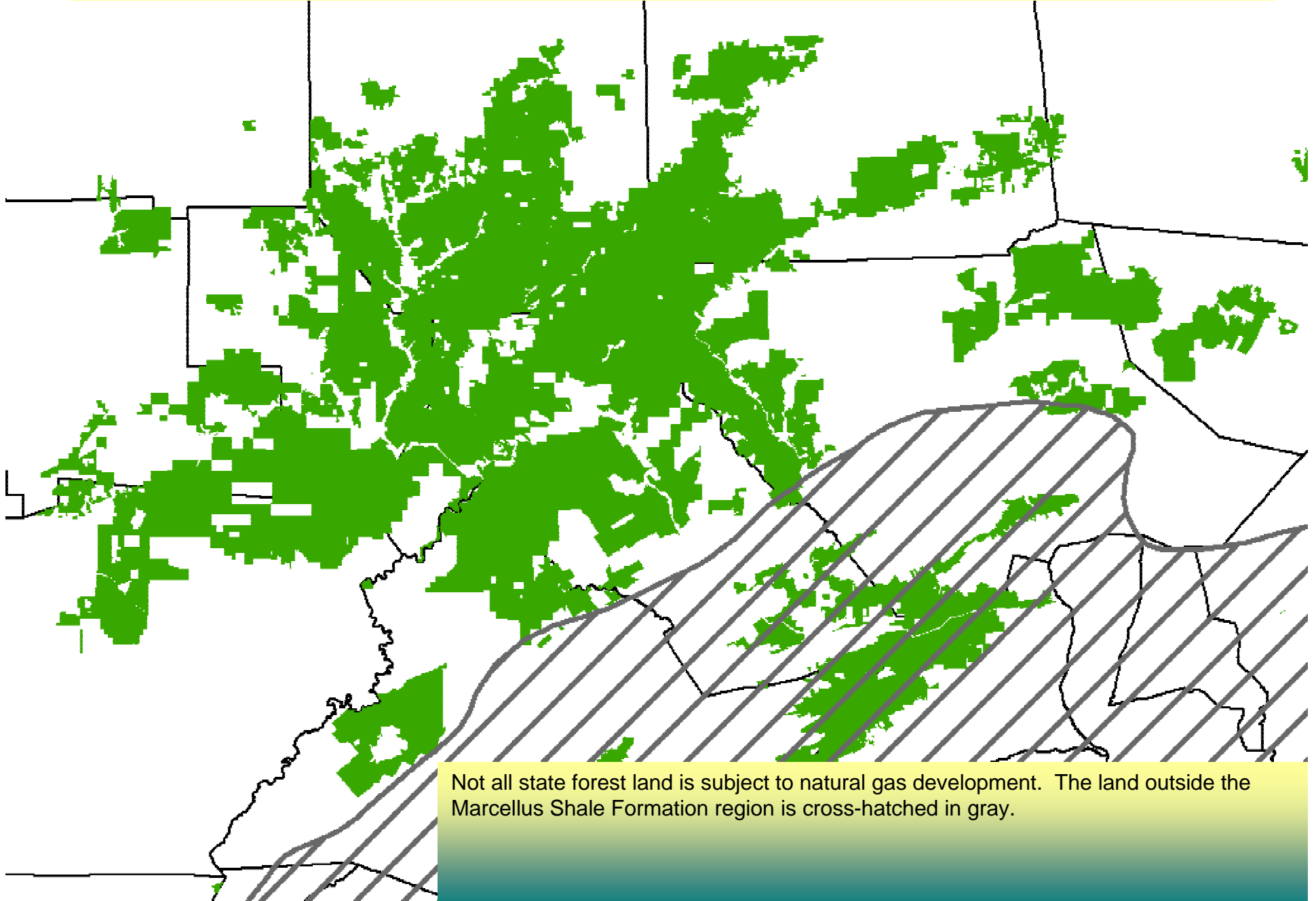
"The mission of the Bureau of Forestry is to ensure the long-term health, viability, and productivity of the Commonwealth's forests and to conserve native wild plants."

*"Managing state forests under sound ecosystem management, to **retain their wild character** and **maintain biological diversity** while providing **pure water**, opportunities for low-density recreation, **habitats for forest plants and animals**, sustained yields of quality timber, and **environmentally sound utilization of mineral resources**. **Protecting forestlands**, public and private, from damage and/or destruction by fires, insects, diseases and other agents. Promoting forestry and the knowledge of forestry by advising and assisting other government agencies, communities, landowners, forest industry, and the general public in the **wise stewardship and utilization of forest resources**. **Protecting and managing native wild flora** resources by determining status, classifying, and **conserving native wild plants**."*

Maintaining the Forest's Ecological Integrity



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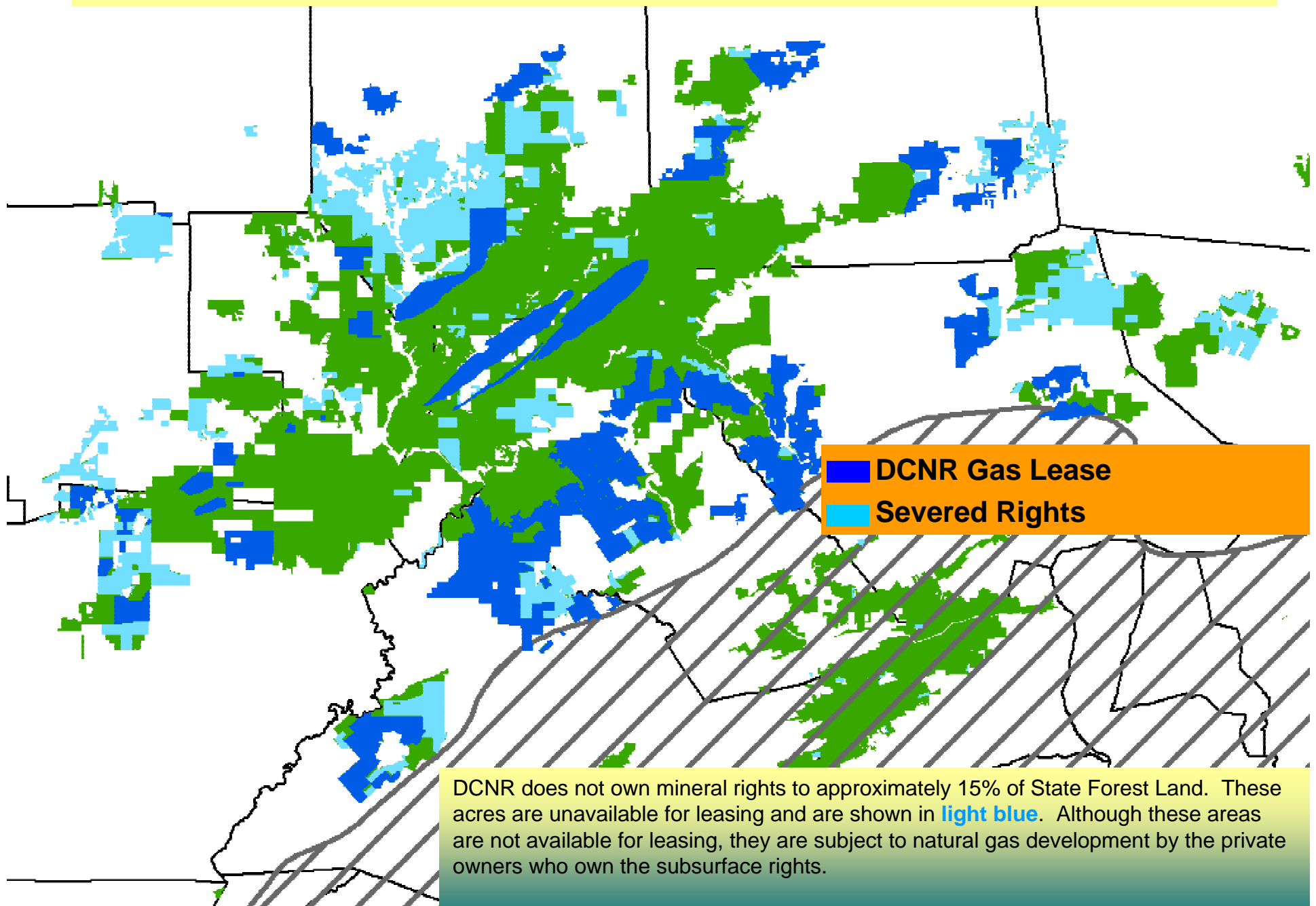
Not all state forest land is subject to natural gas development. The land outside the Marcellus Shale Formation region is cross-hatched in gray.

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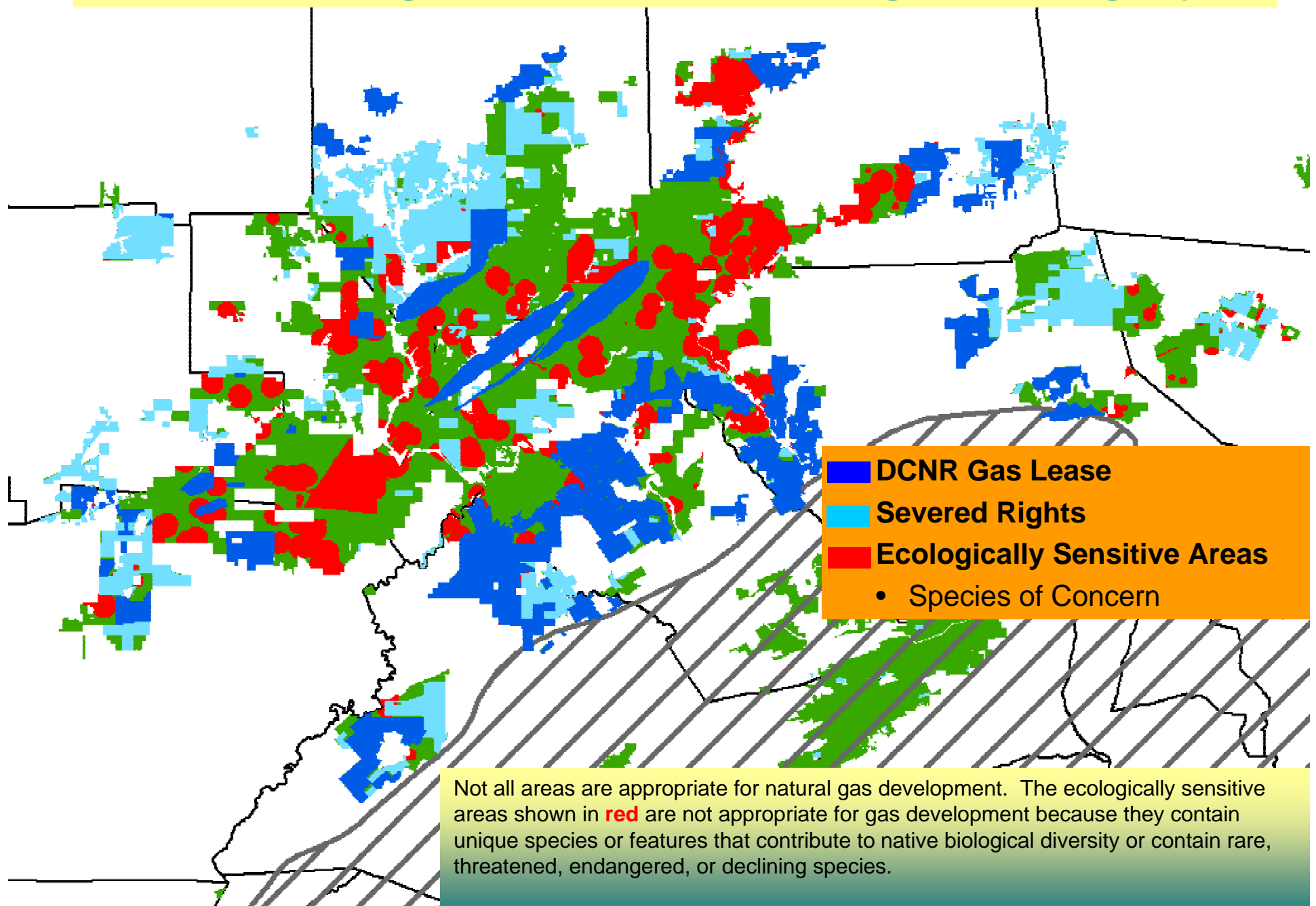
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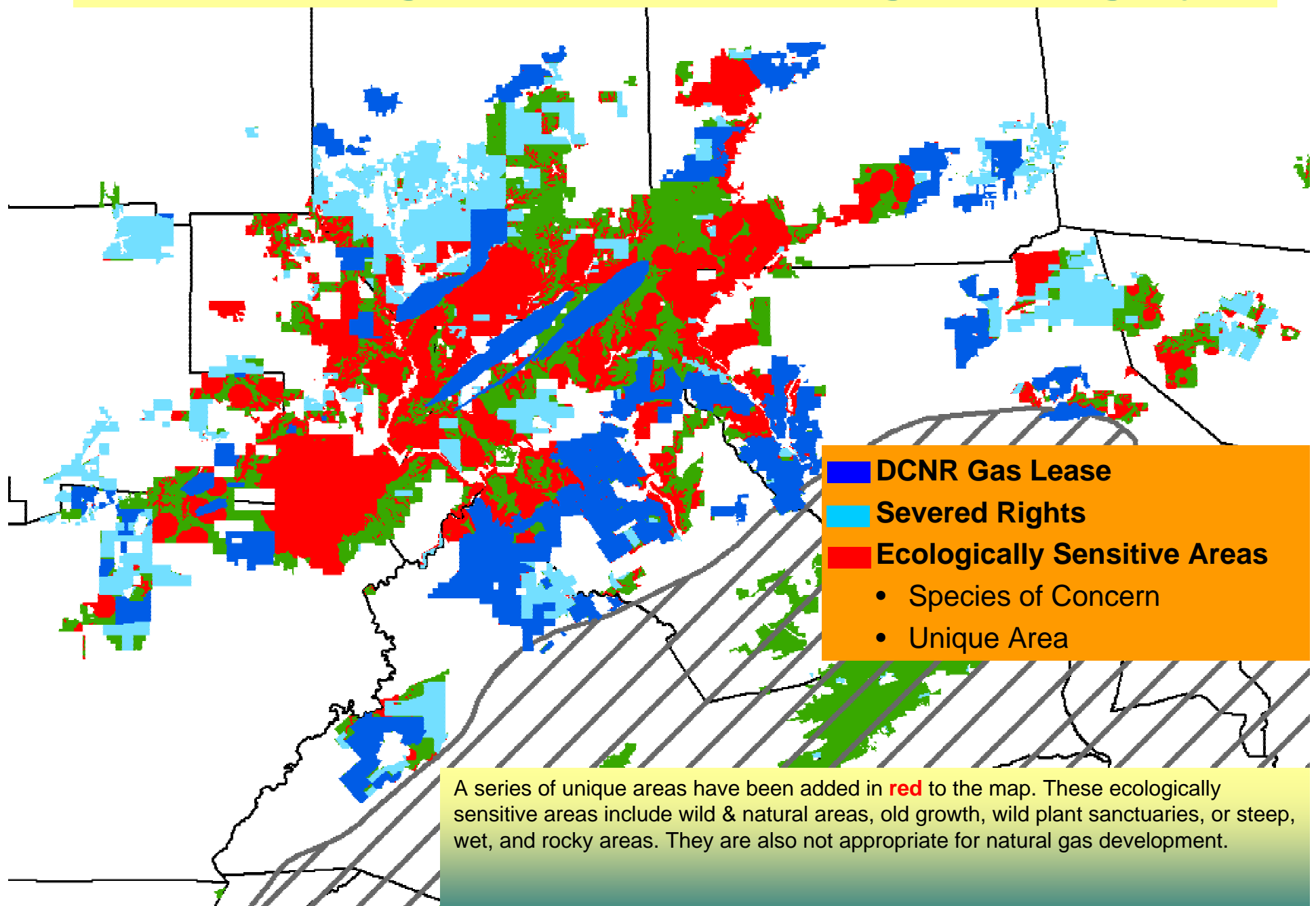
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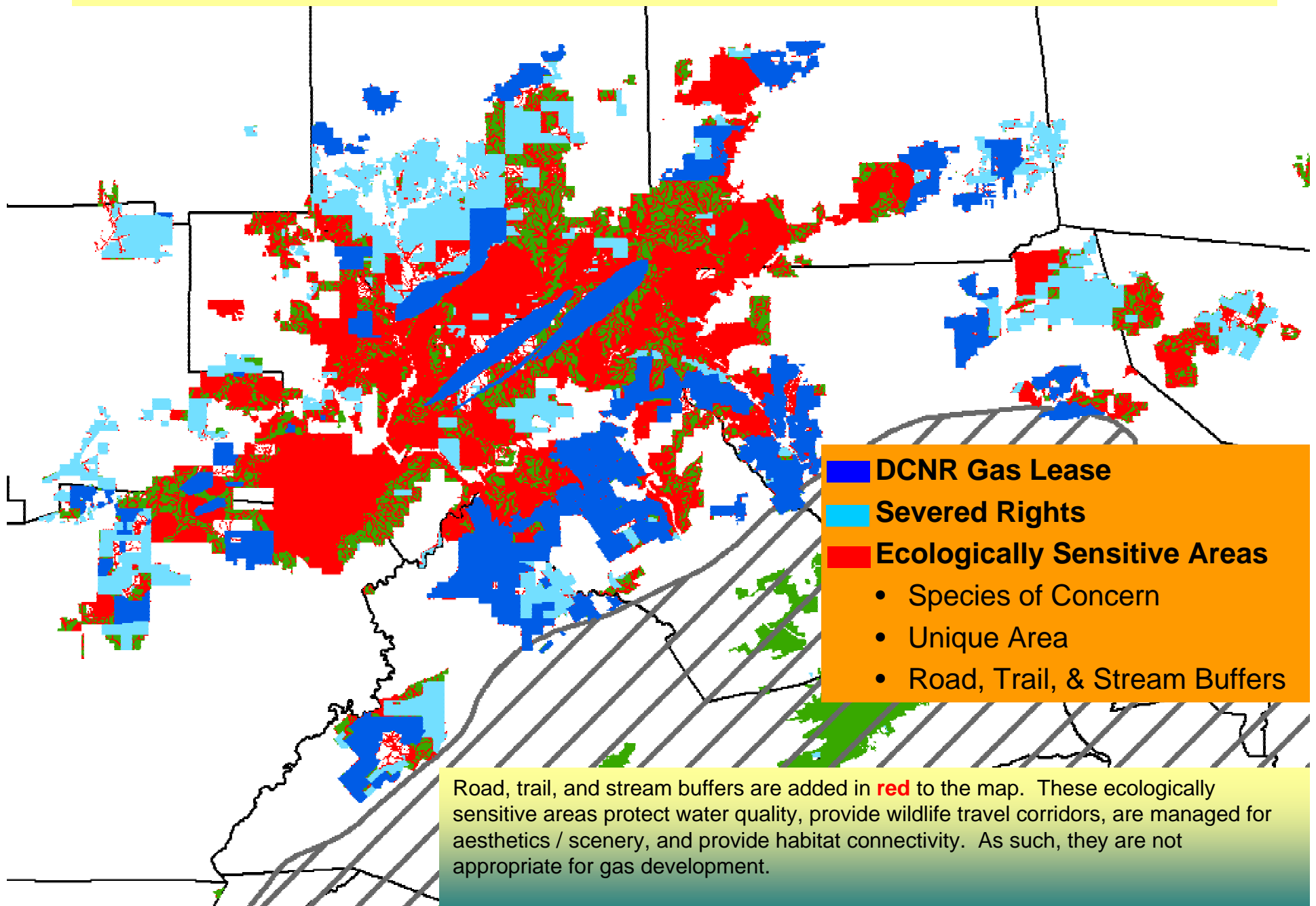
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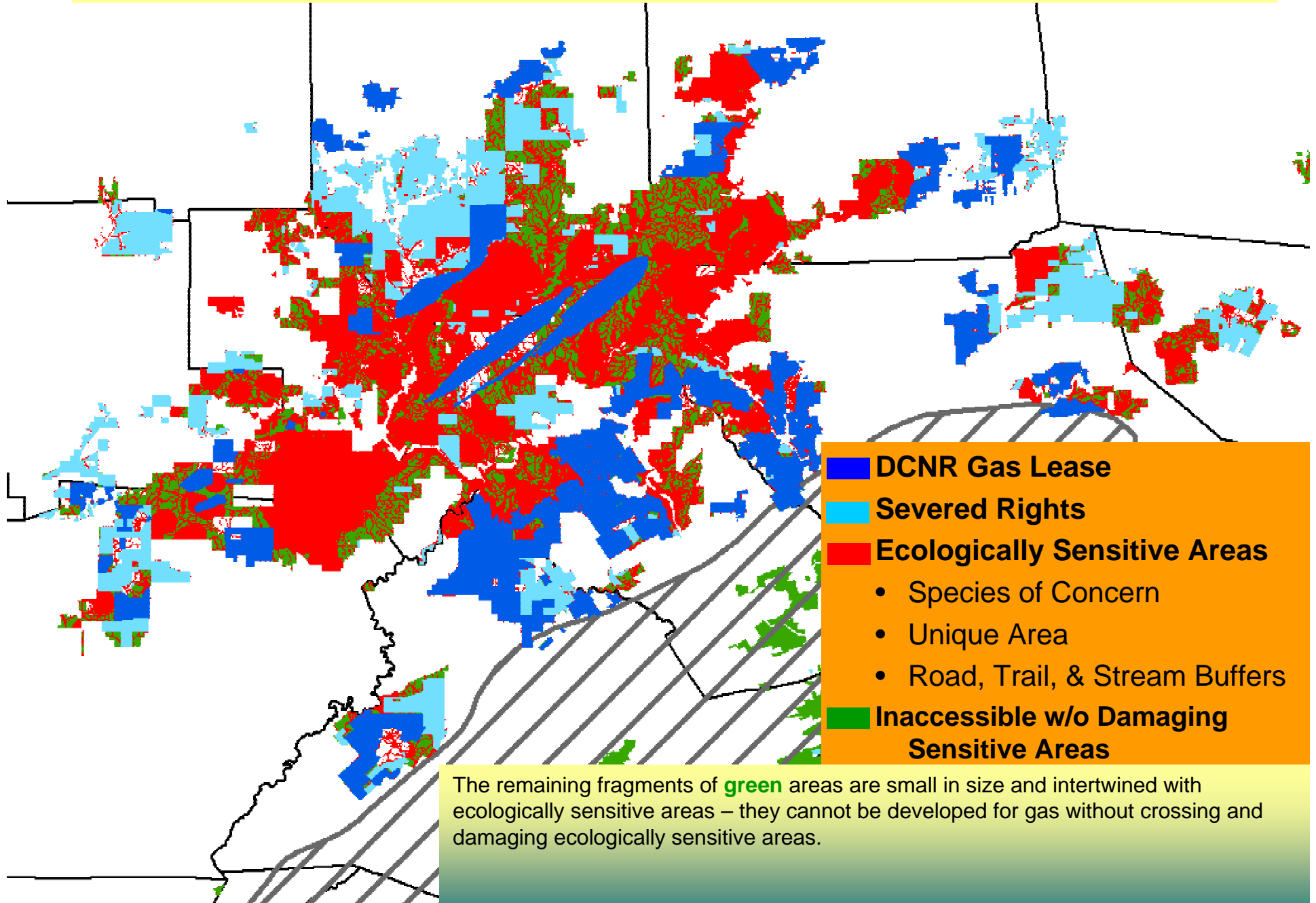
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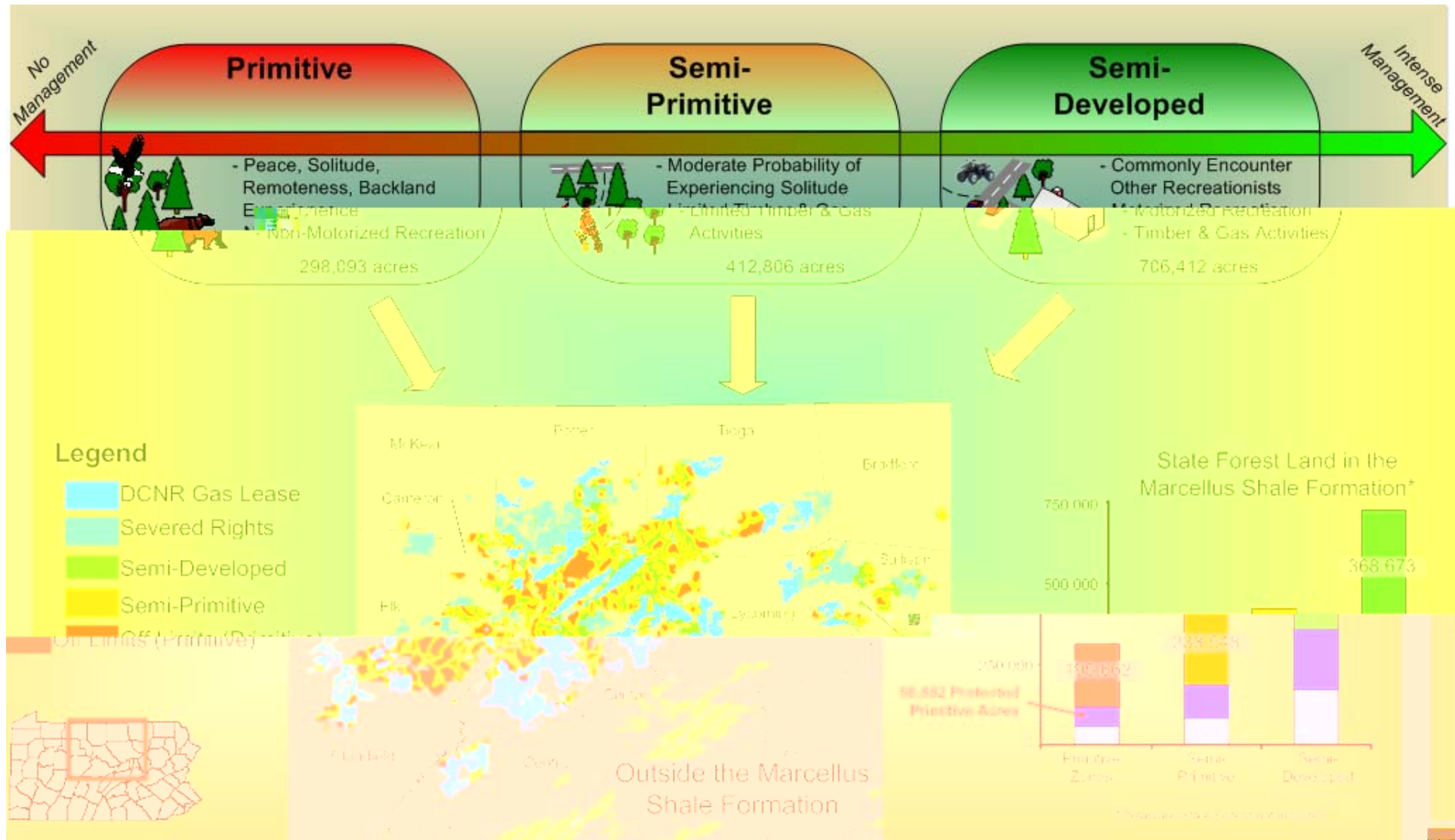
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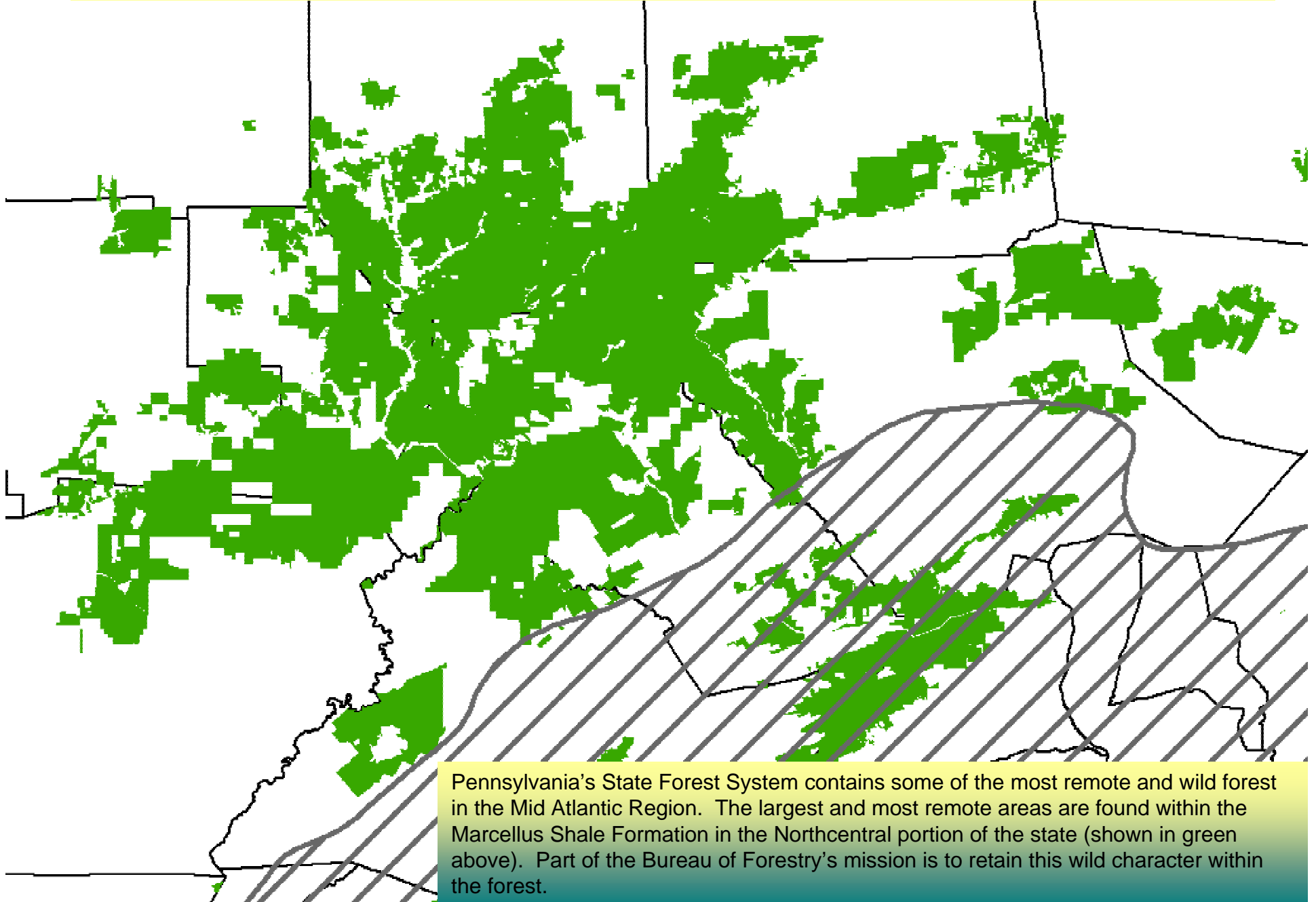
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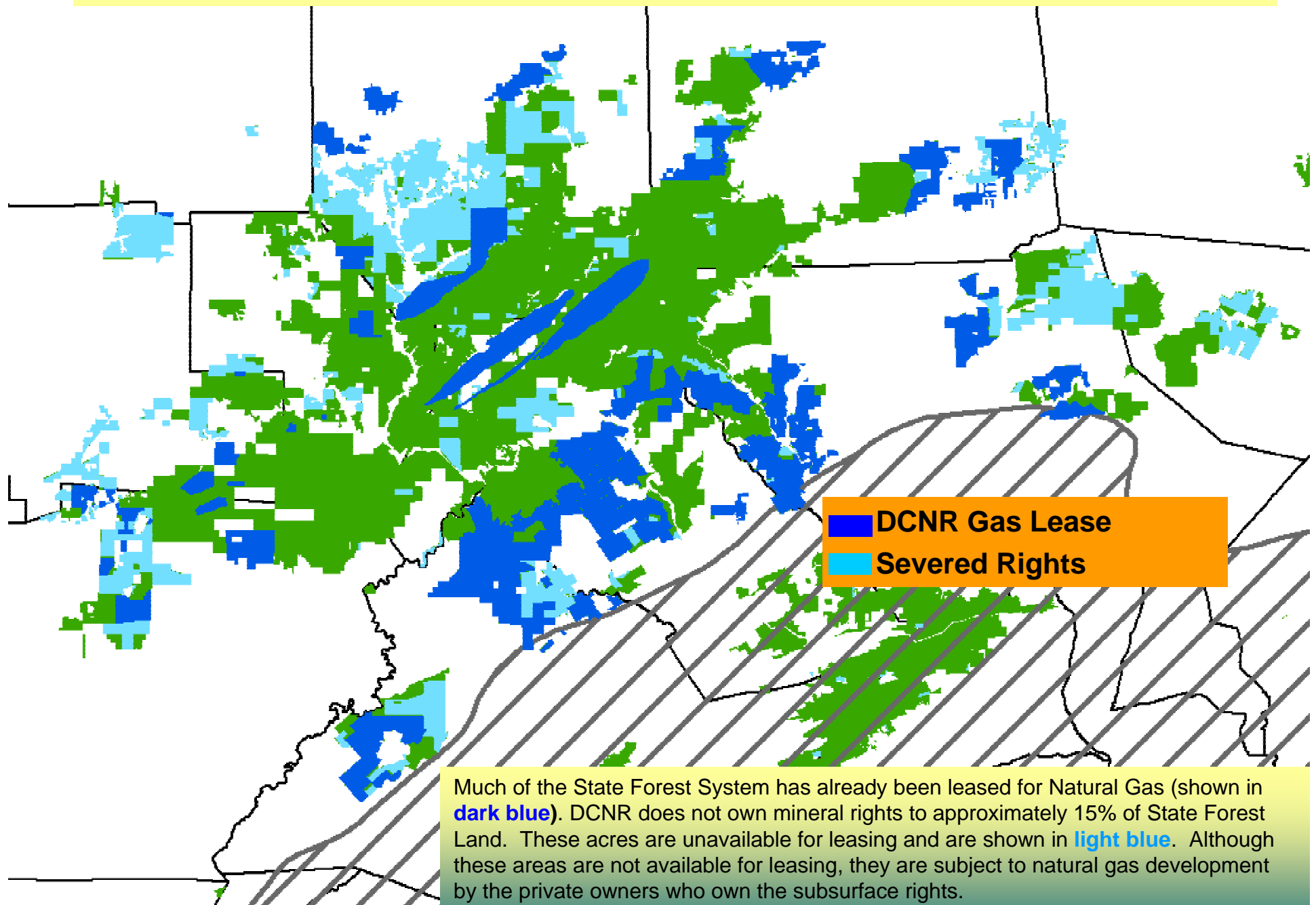


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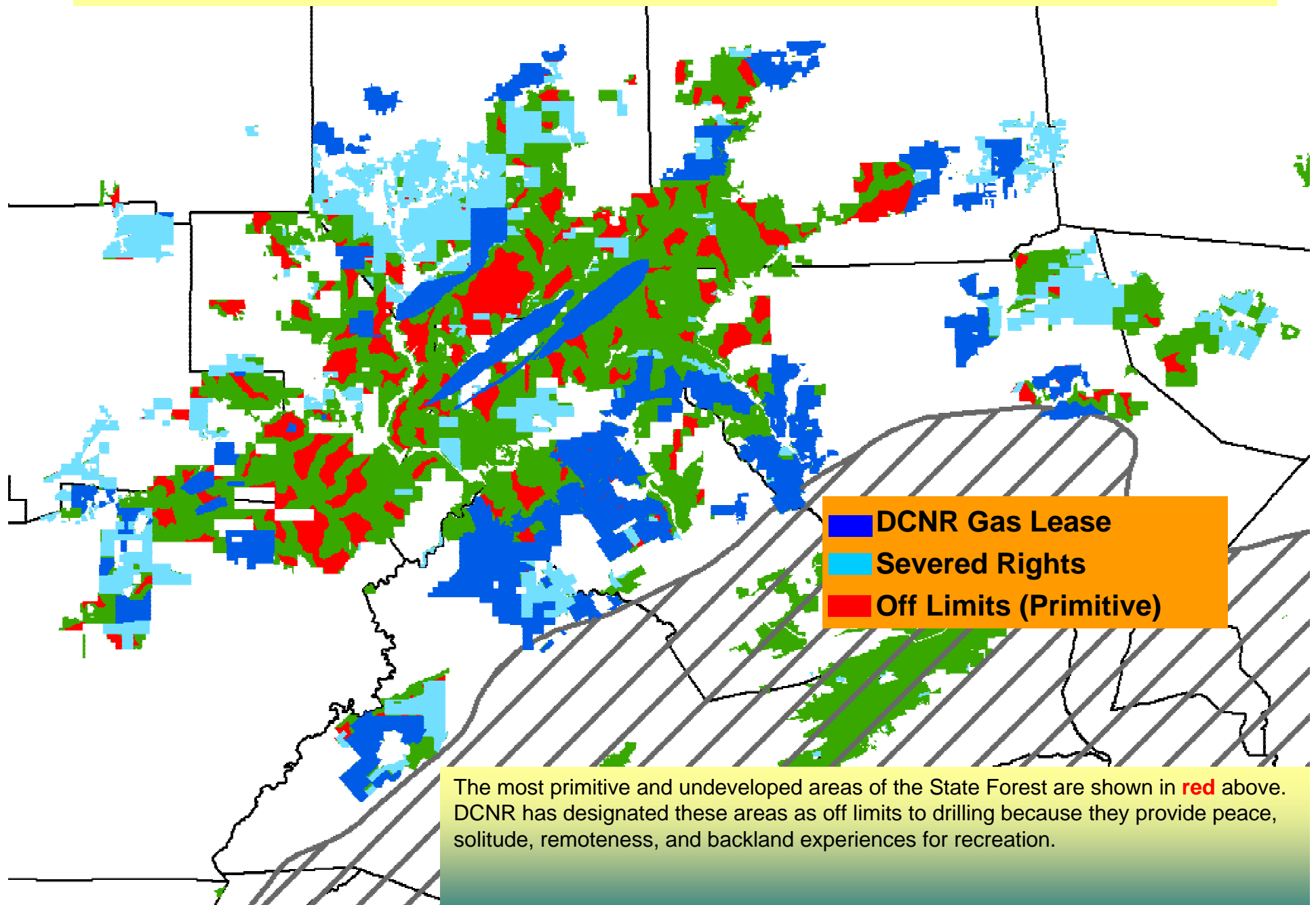


Pennsylvania's State Forest System contains some of the most remote and wild forest in the Mid Atlantic Region. The largest and most remote areas are found within the Marcellus Shale Formation in the Northcentral portion of the state (shown in green above). Part of the Bureau of Forestry's mission is to retain this wild character within the forest.

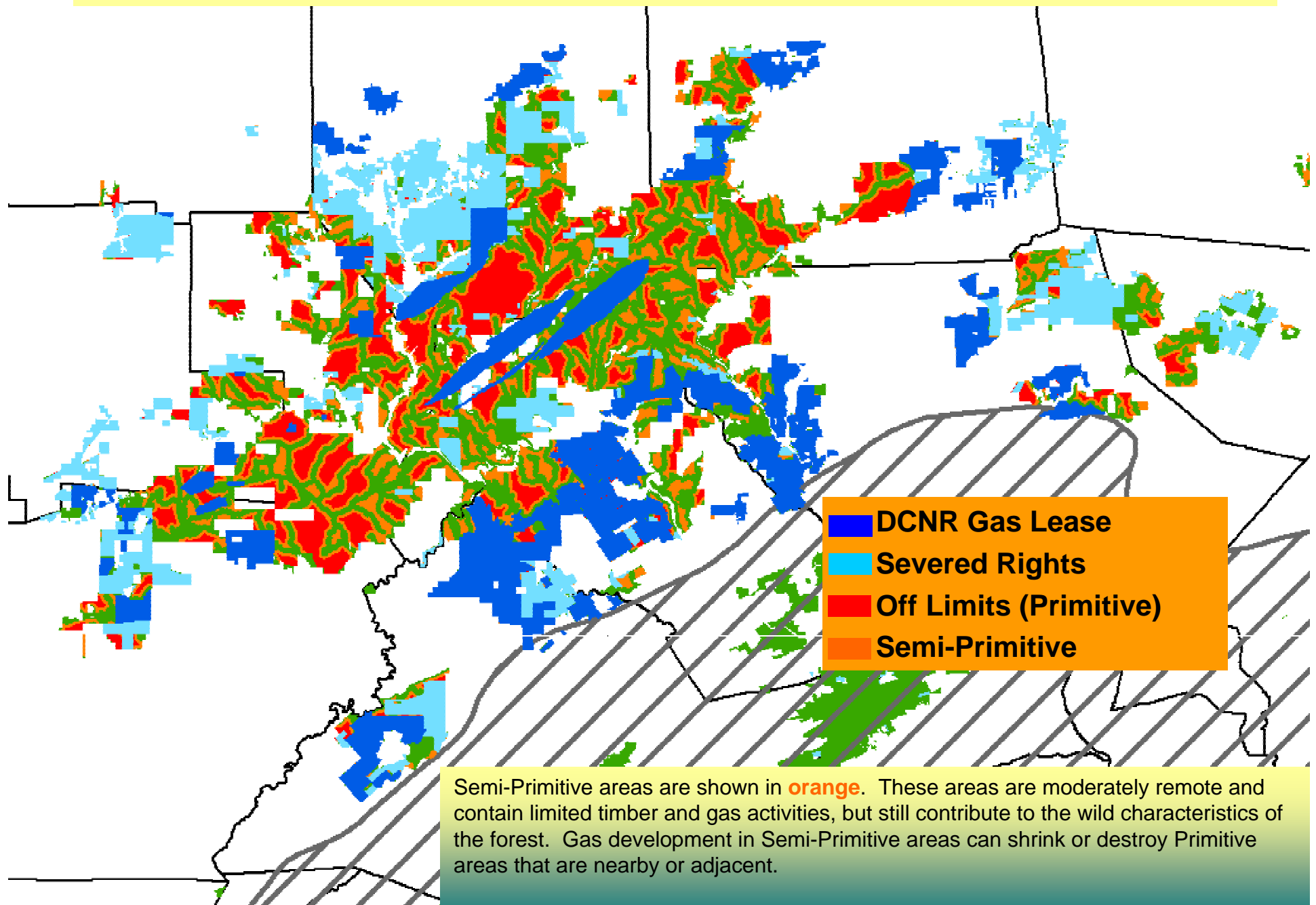
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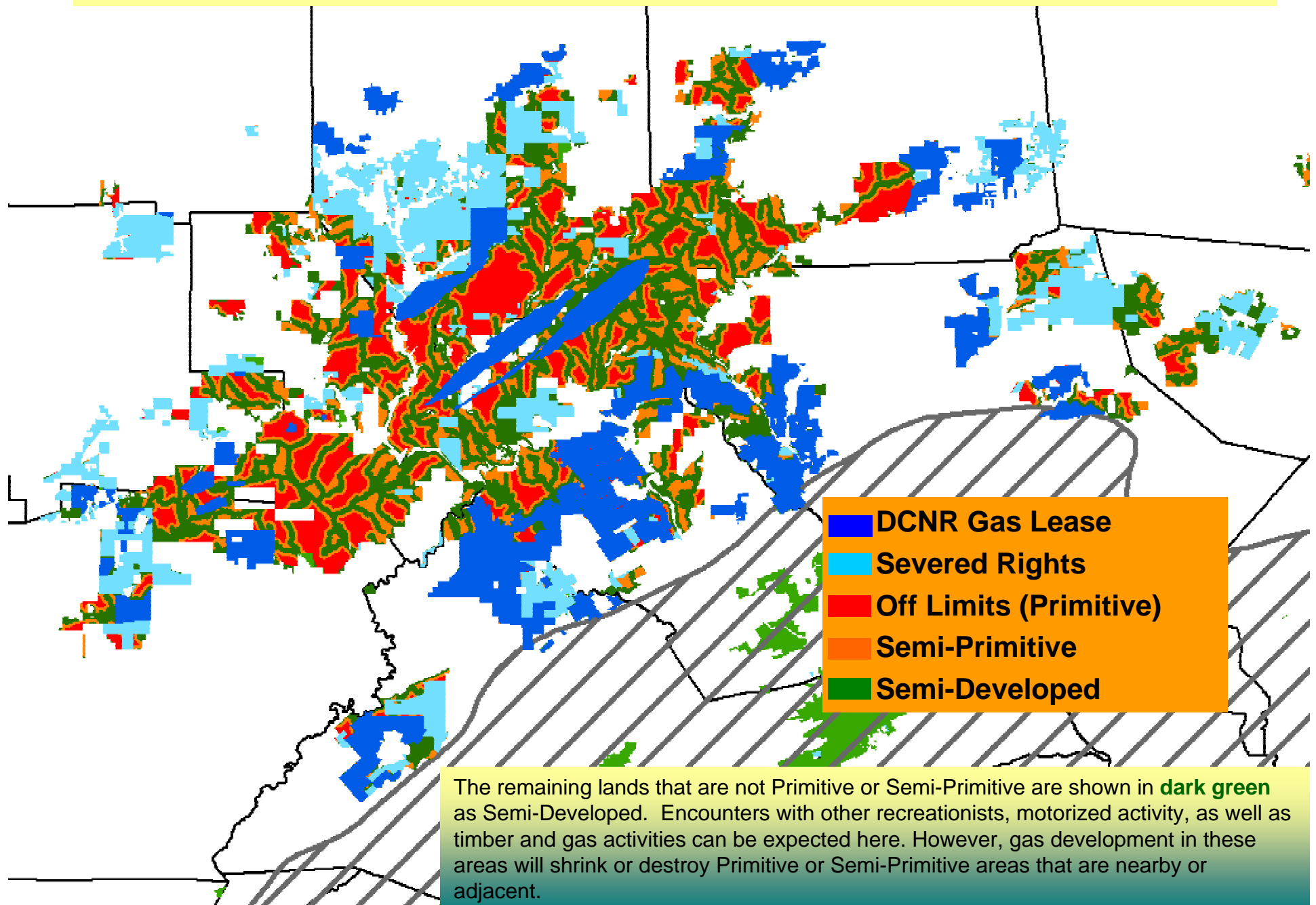
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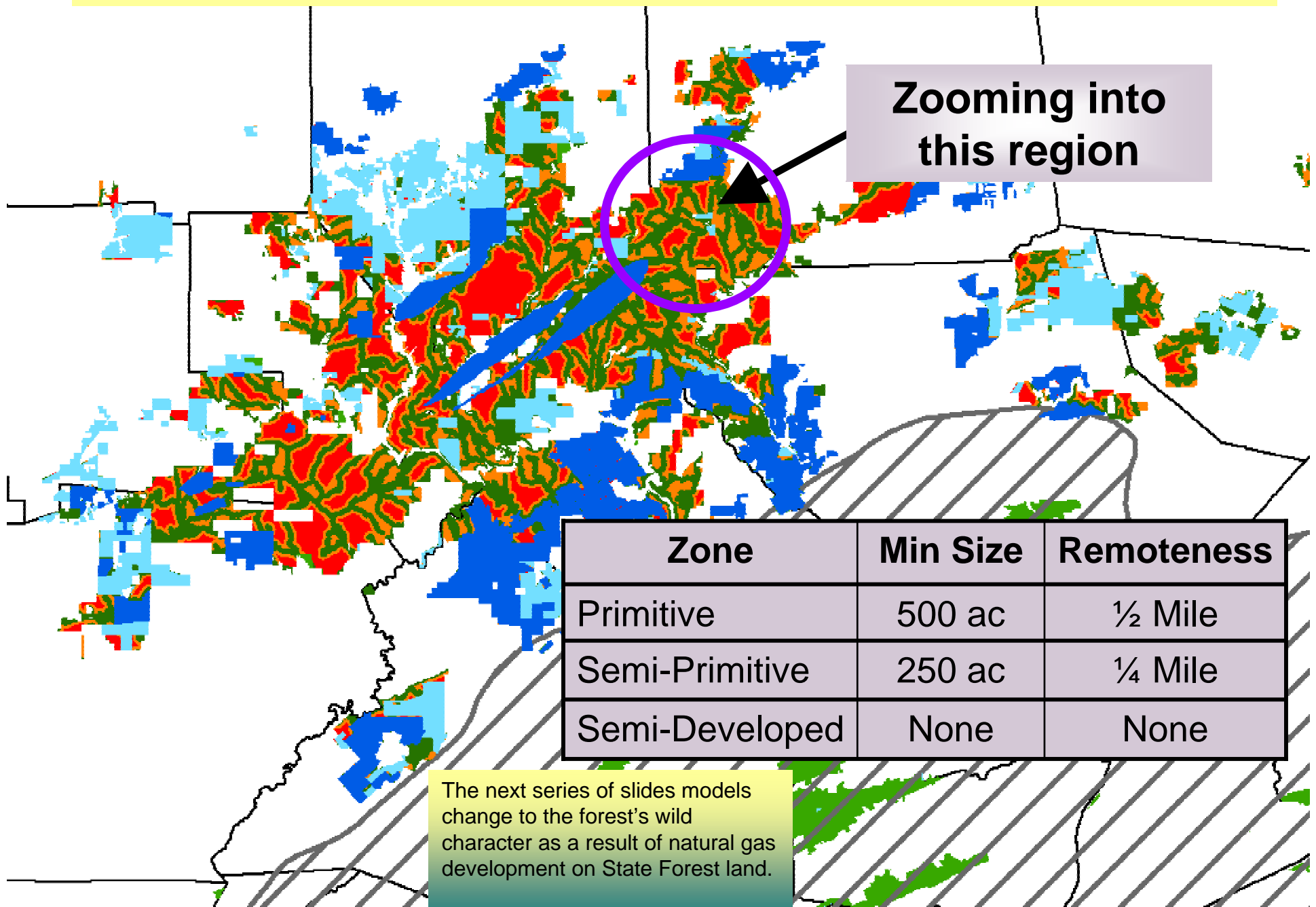
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Impacts on the Wild Character



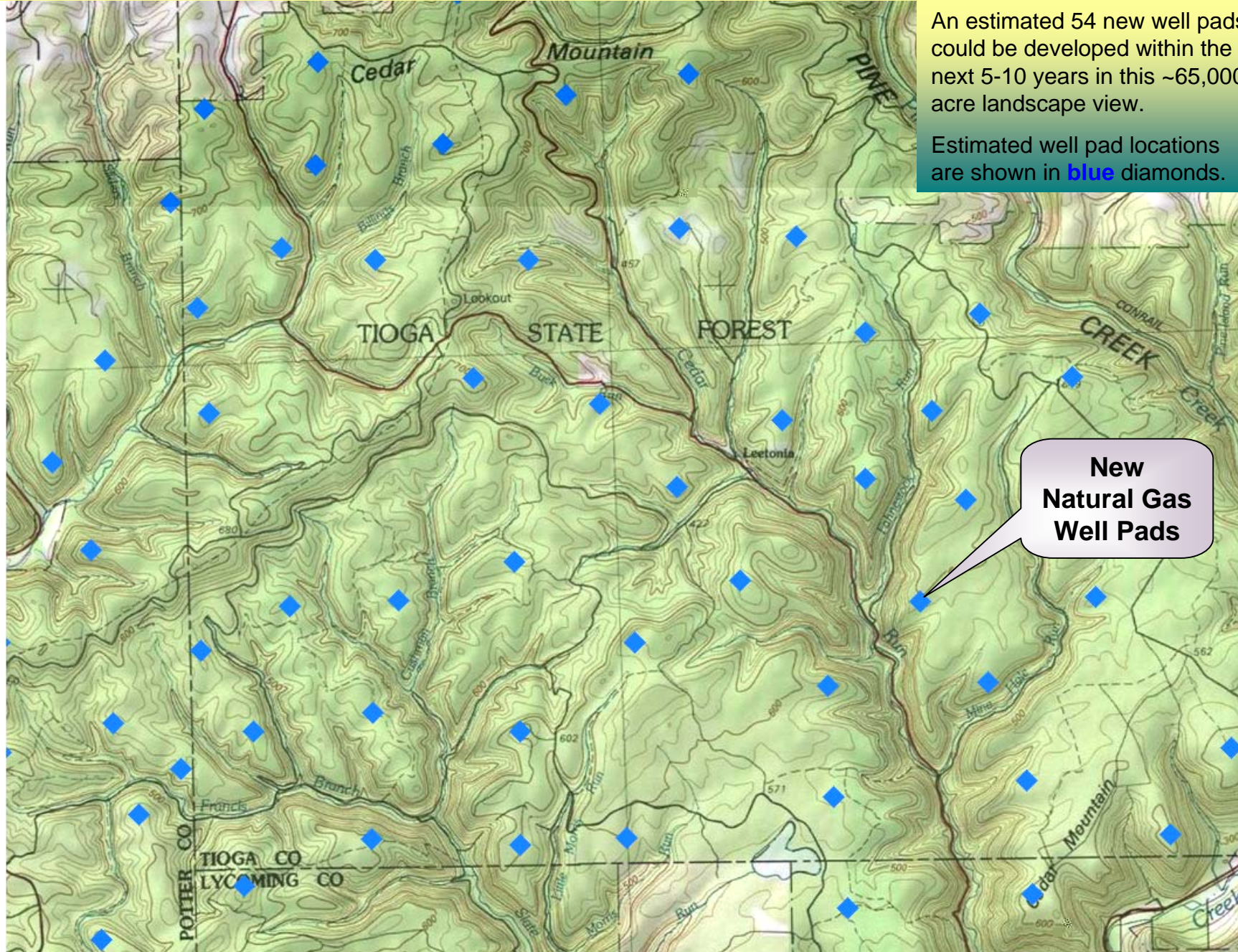
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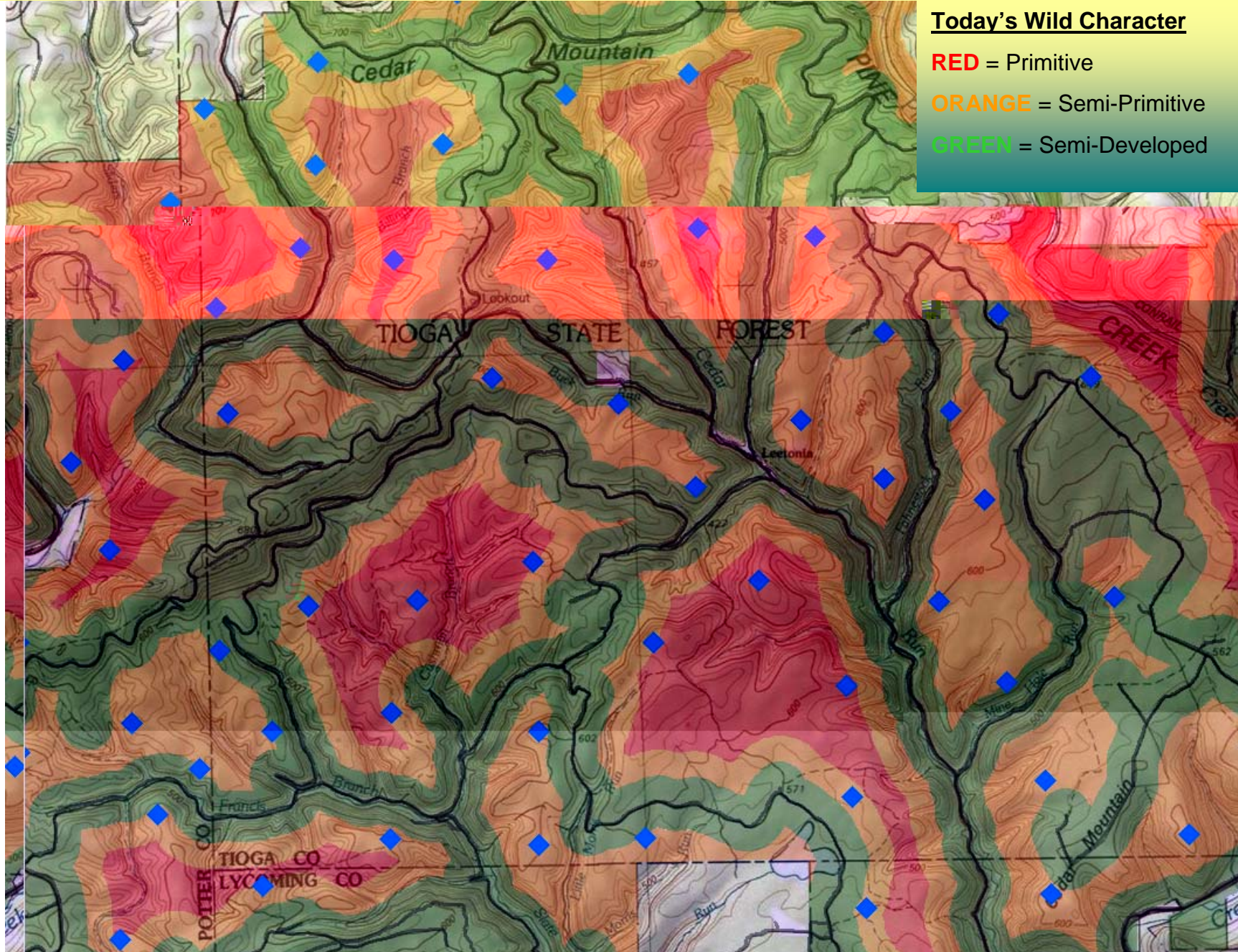
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An estimated 54 new well pads could be developed within the next 5-10 years in this ~65,000 acre landscape view.

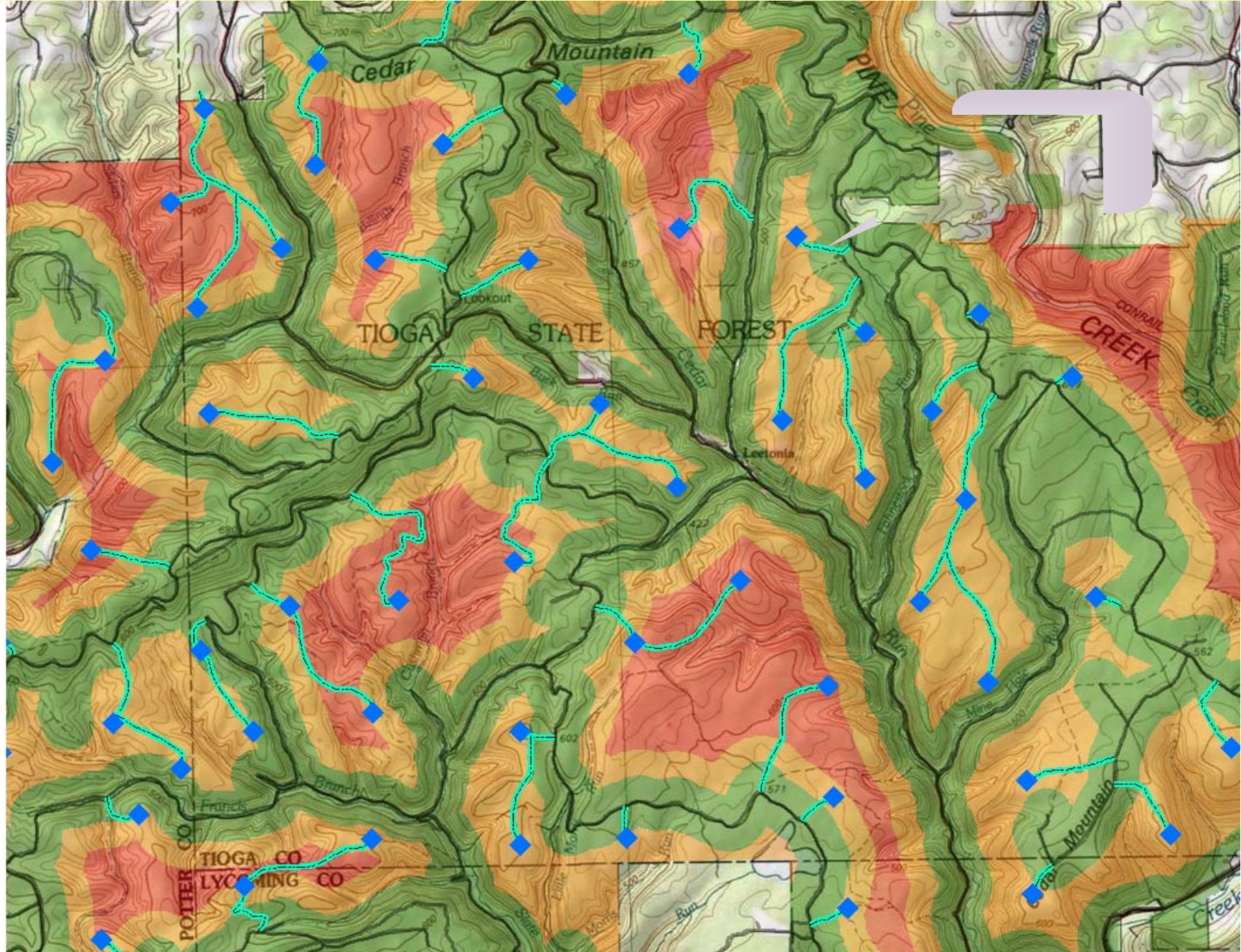
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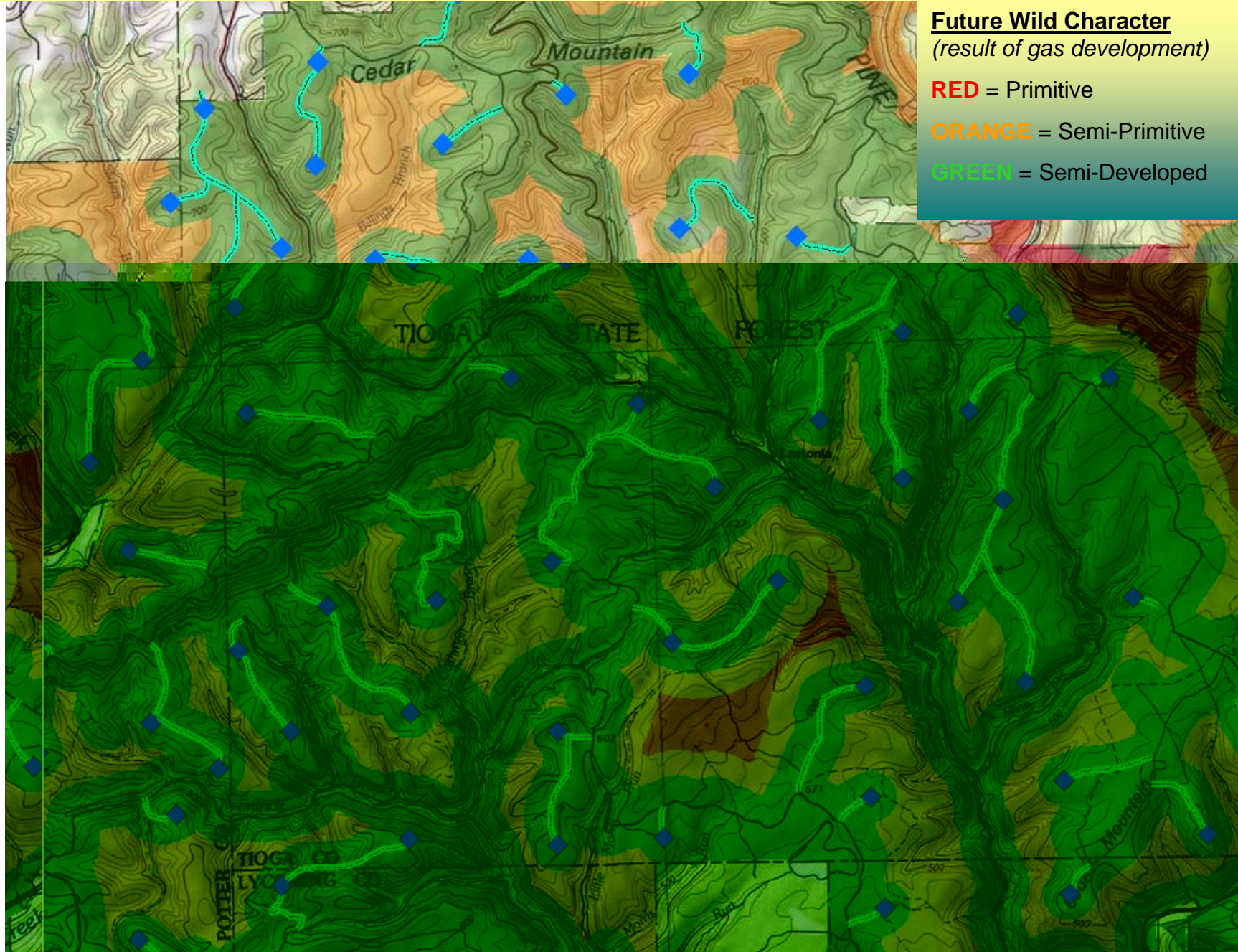
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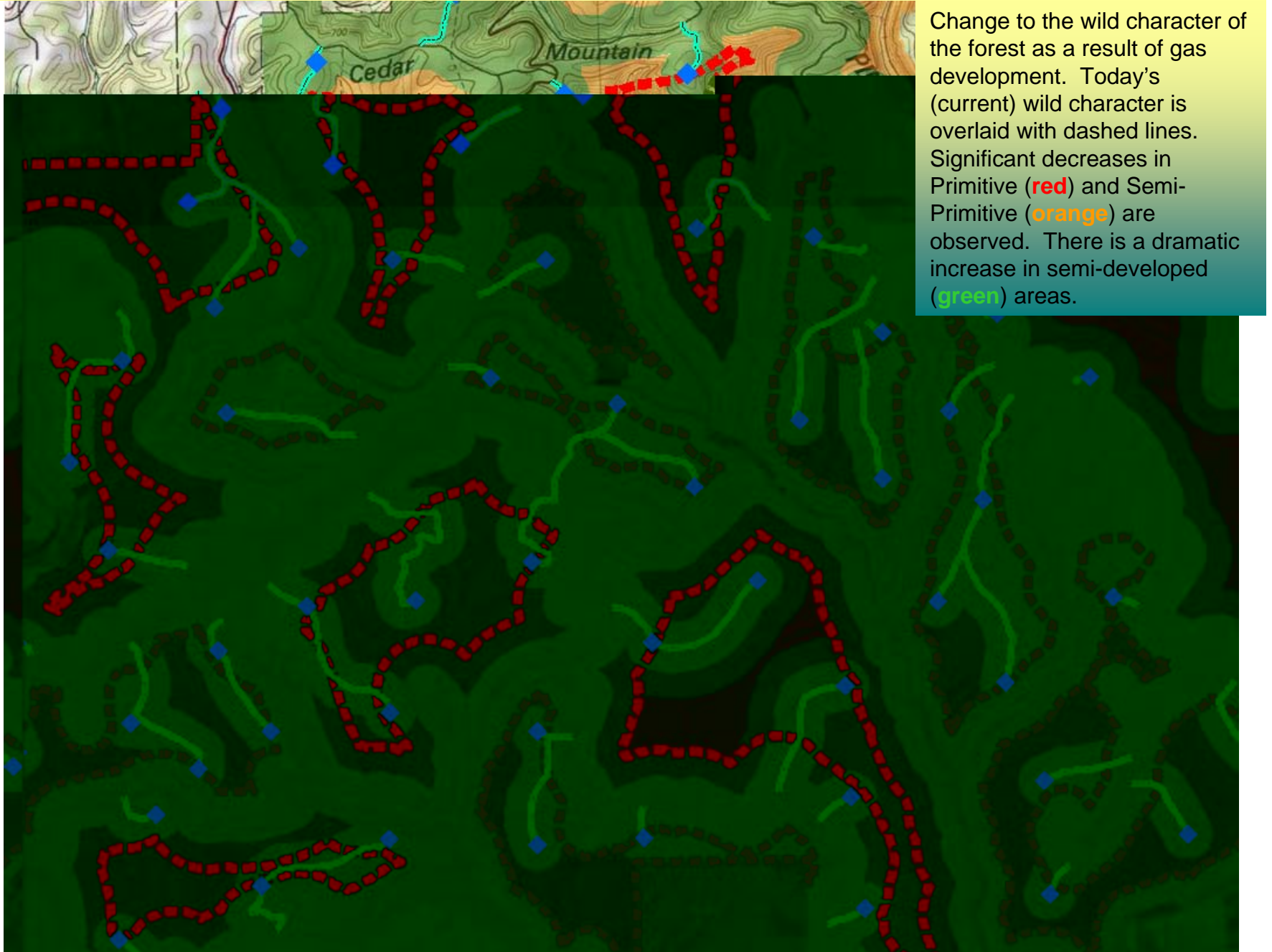
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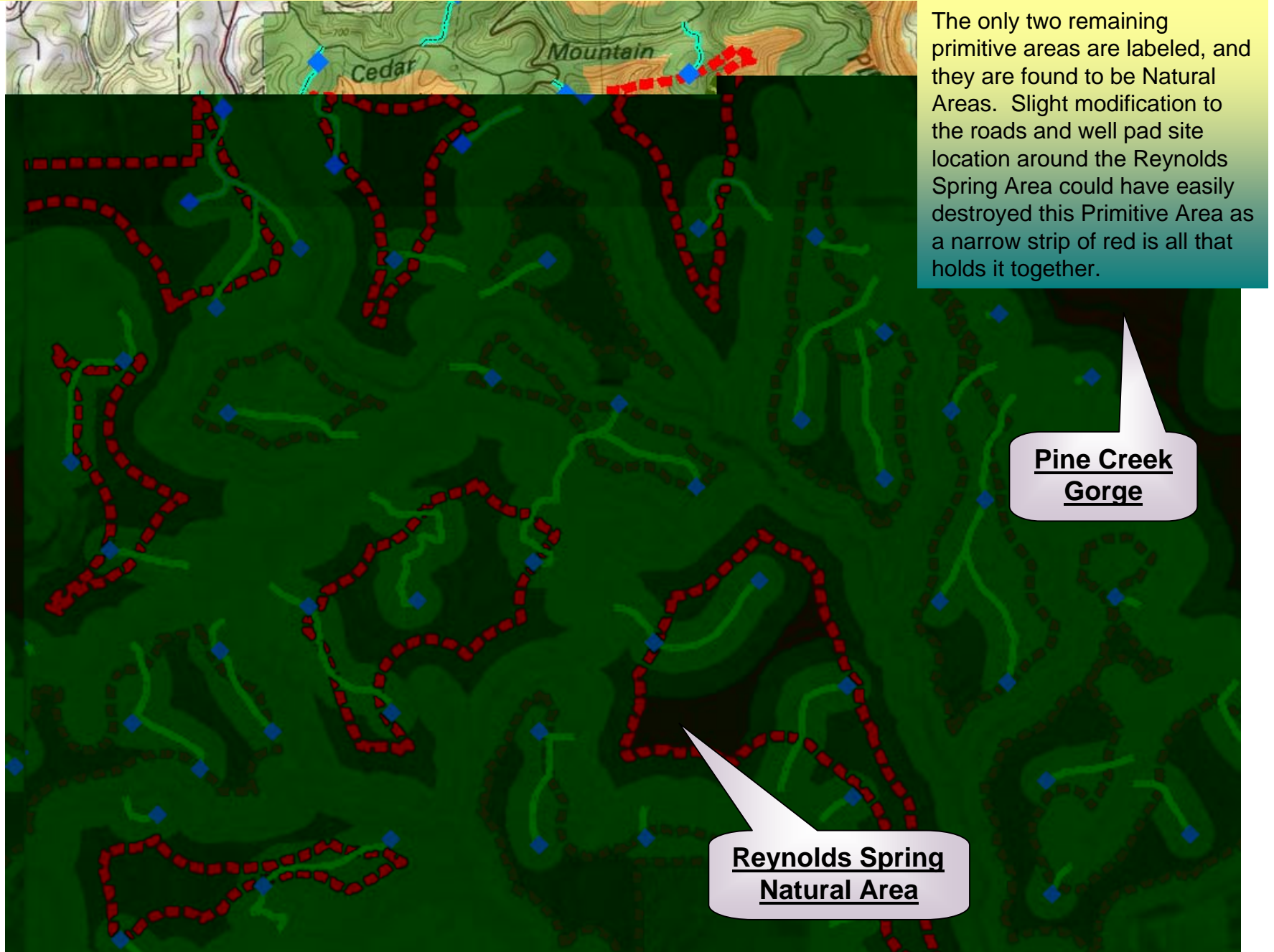
Forest's Wild Character with New Well Pads



Impact on the Forest's Wild Character



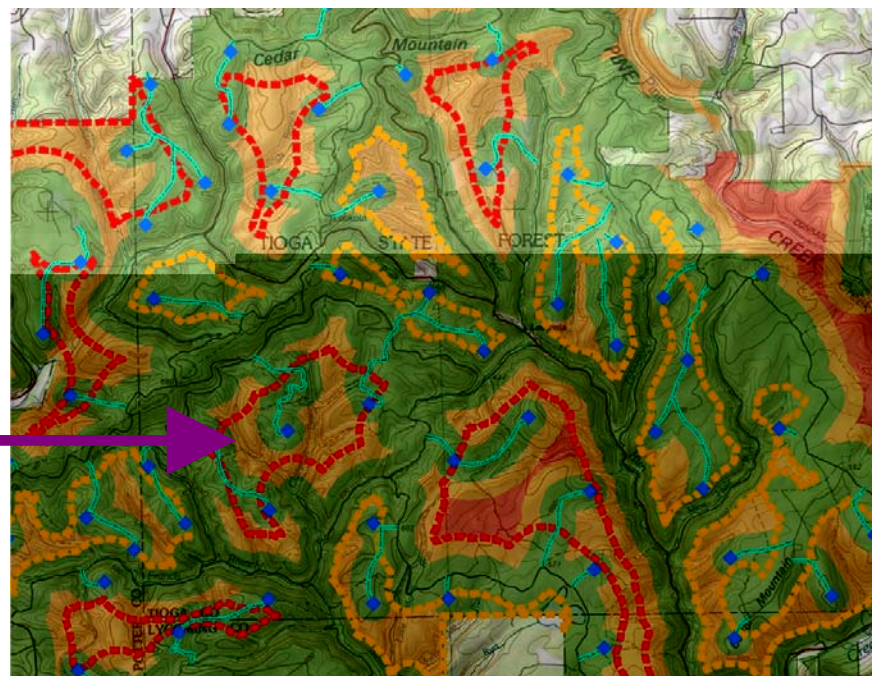
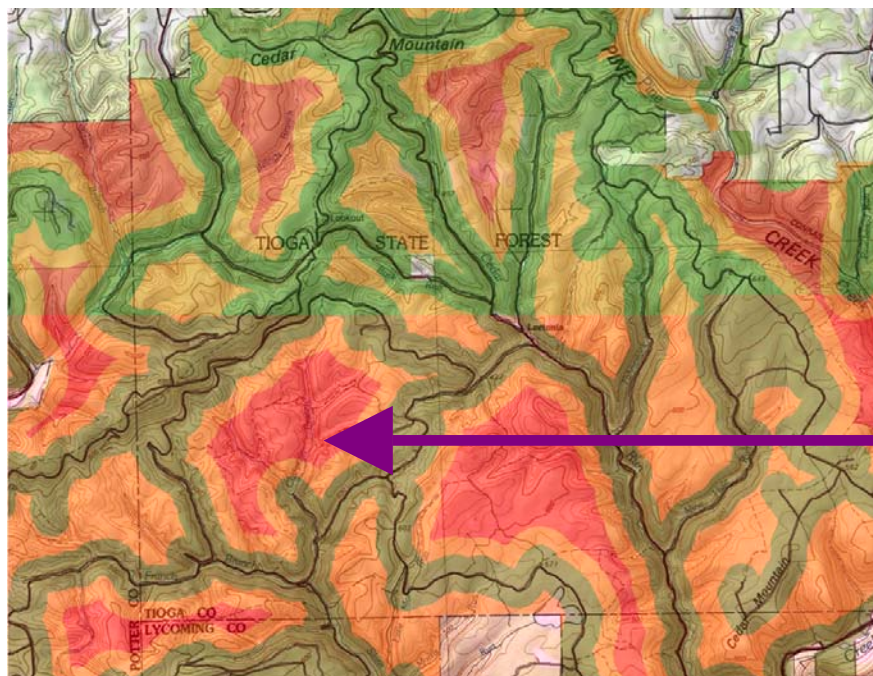
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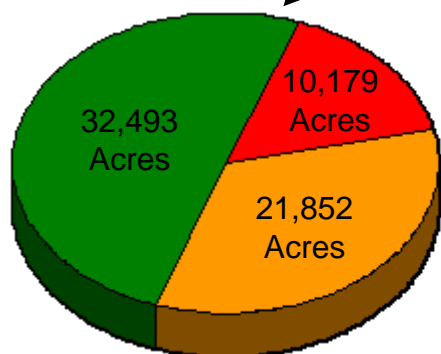
Change in the Forest's Wild Character

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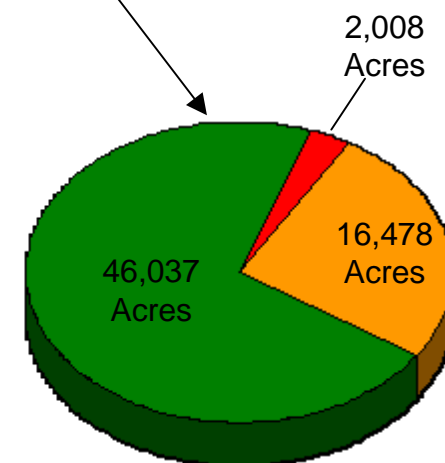
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In this ~65,000 acre landscape view,
with 54 new well pads...



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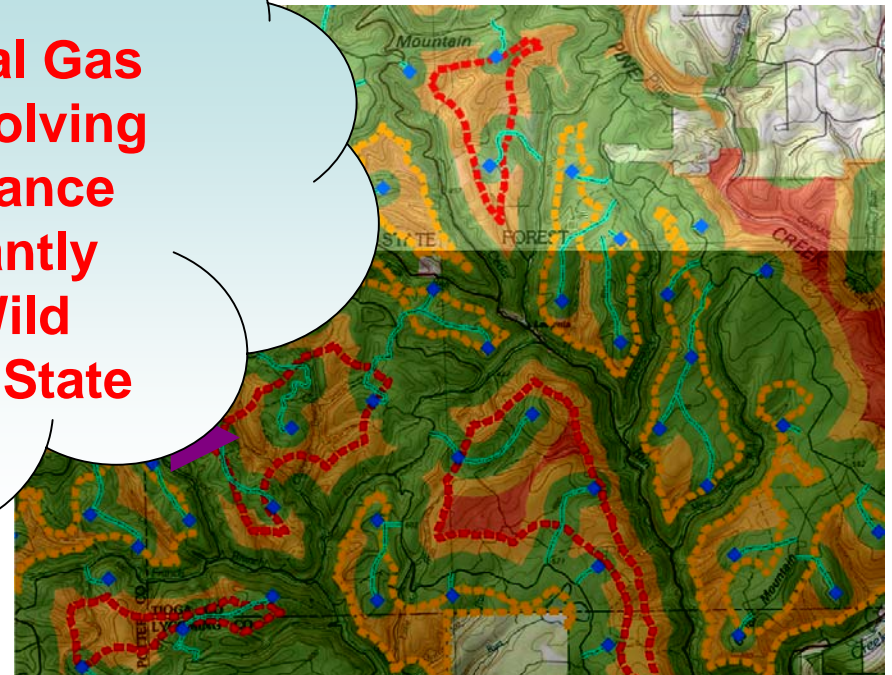
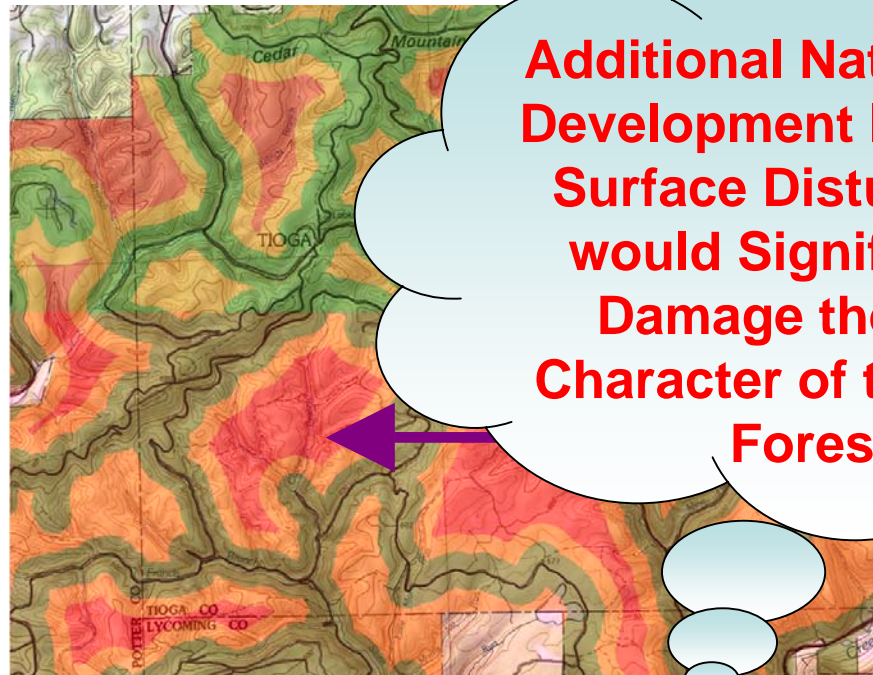


Modeling Change in the Forest's Wild Character

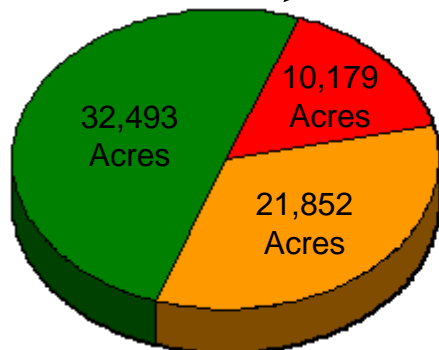
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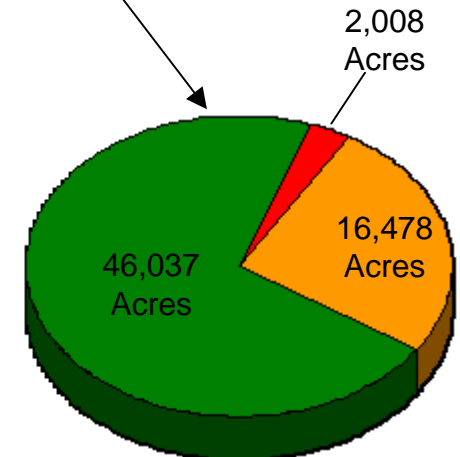
Additional Natural Gas Development Involving Surface Disturbance would Significantly Damage the Wild Character of the State Forest



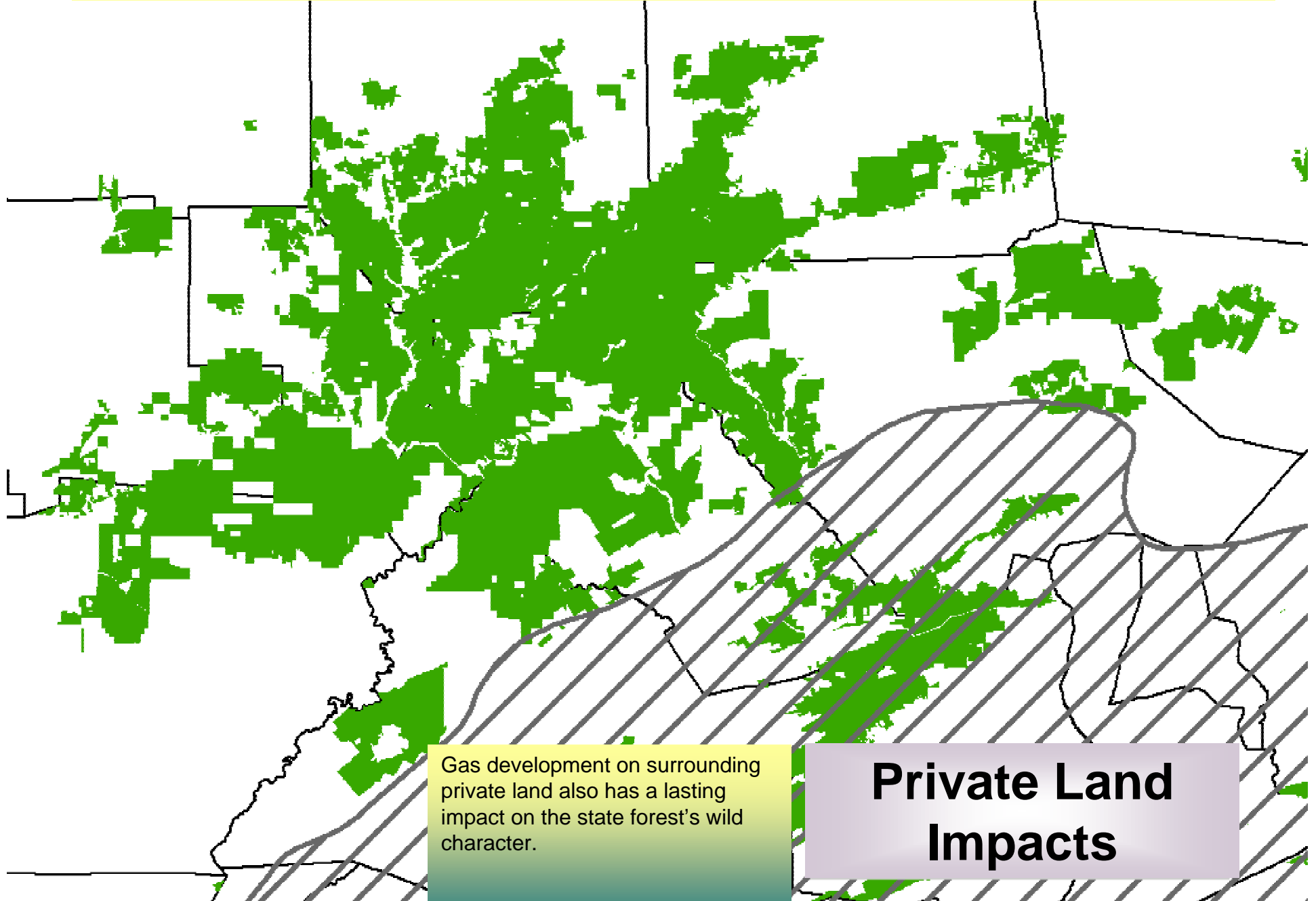
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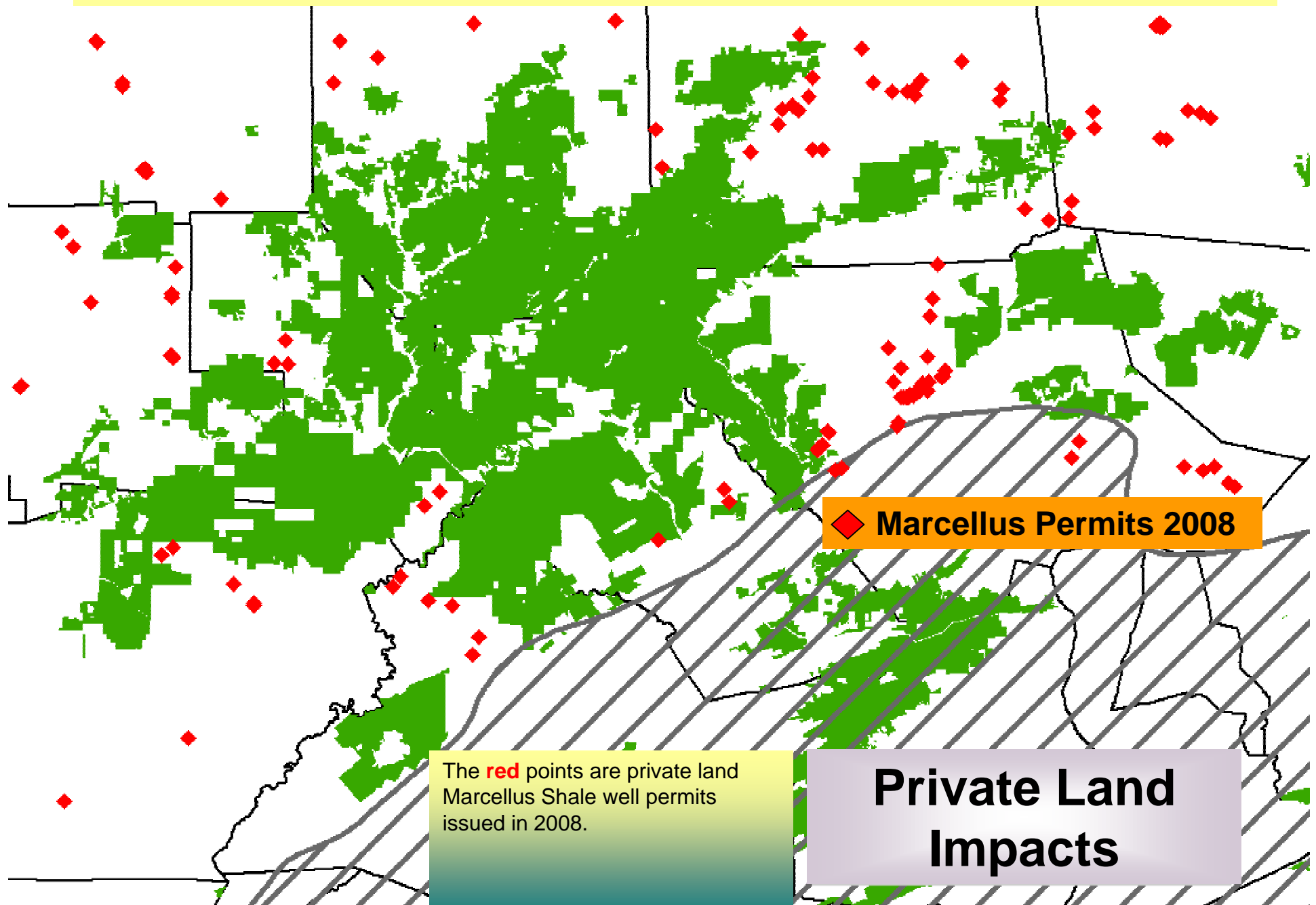
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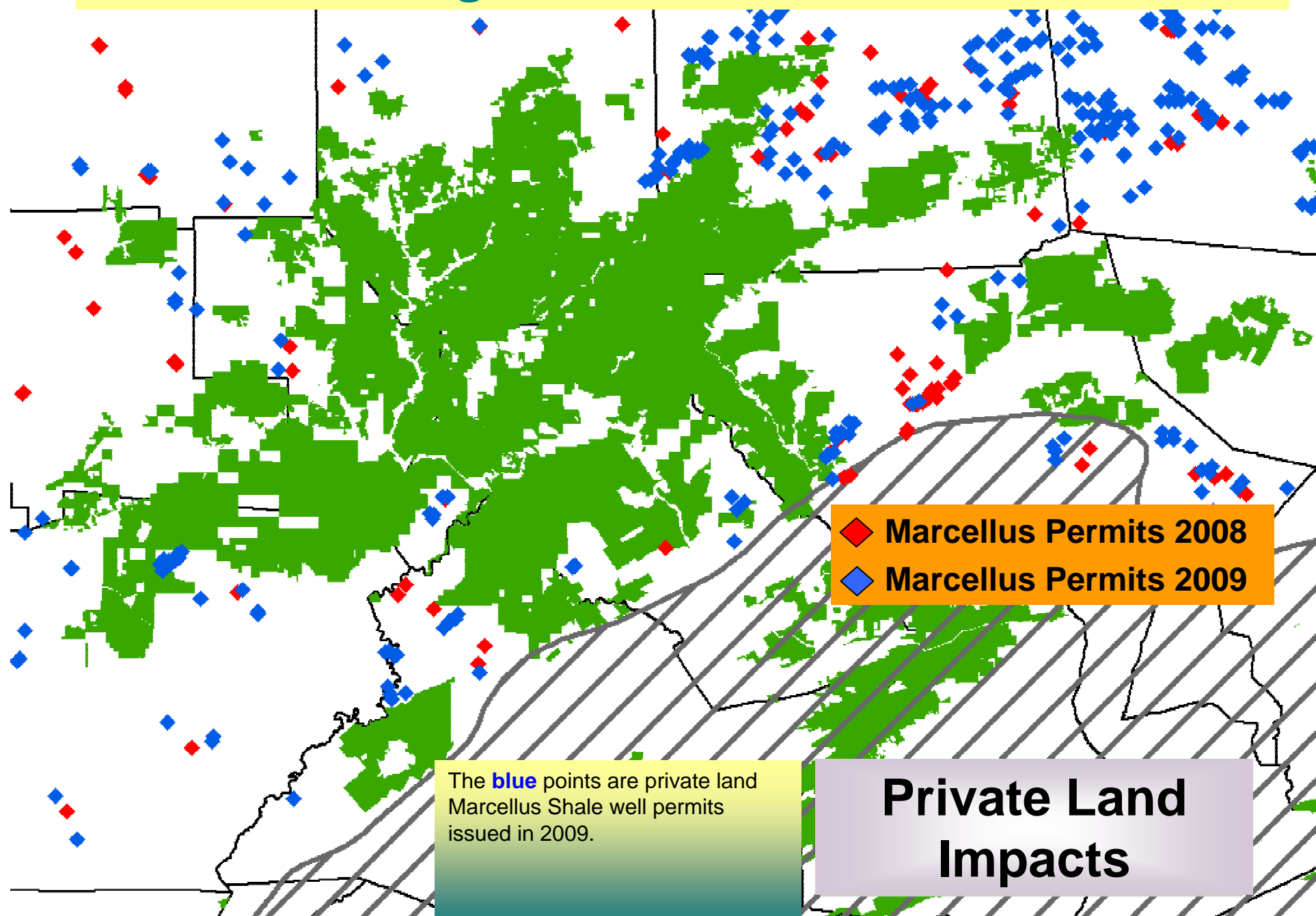
Gas development on surrounding private land also has a lasting impact on the state forest's wild character.

**Private Land
Impacts**

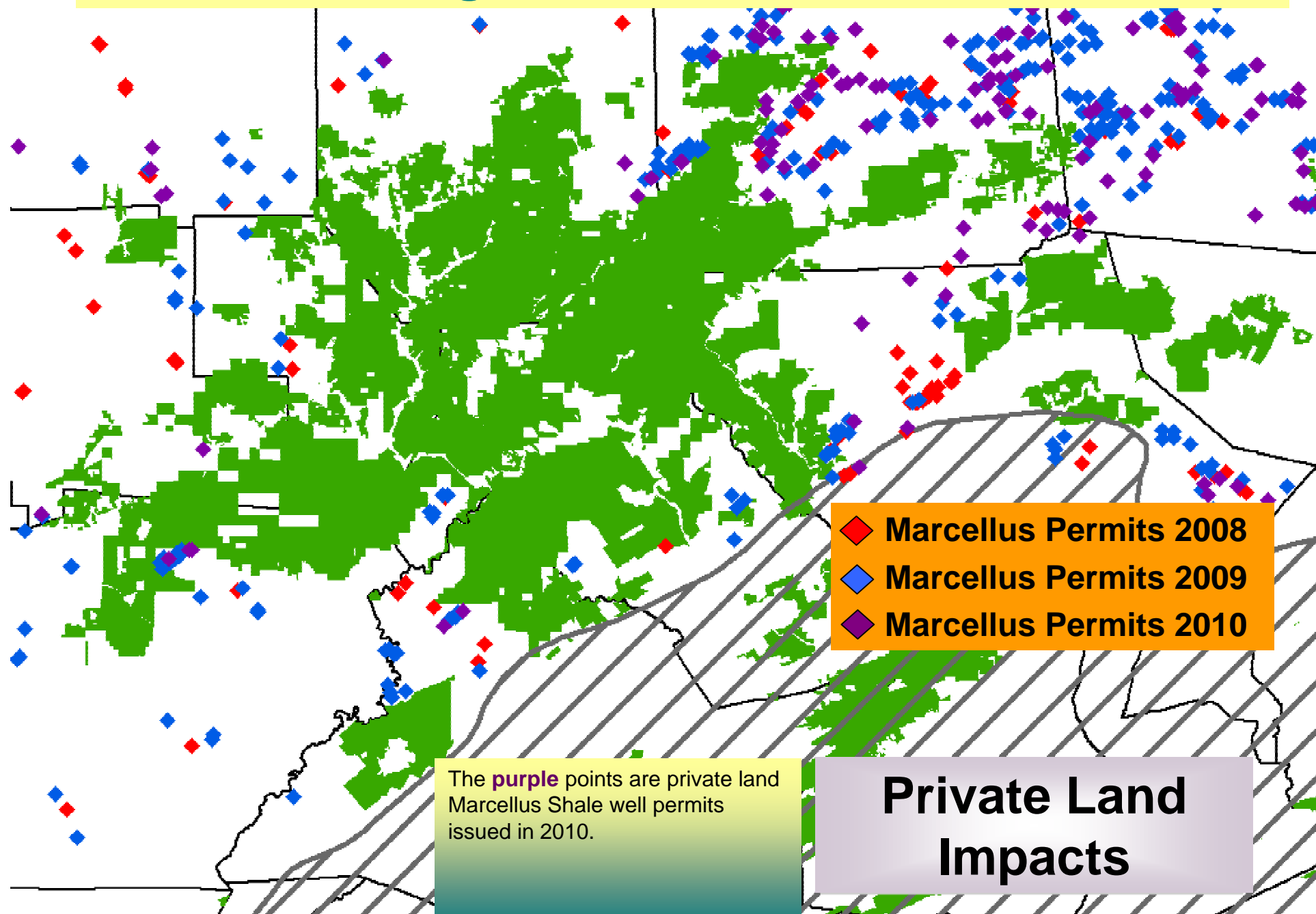
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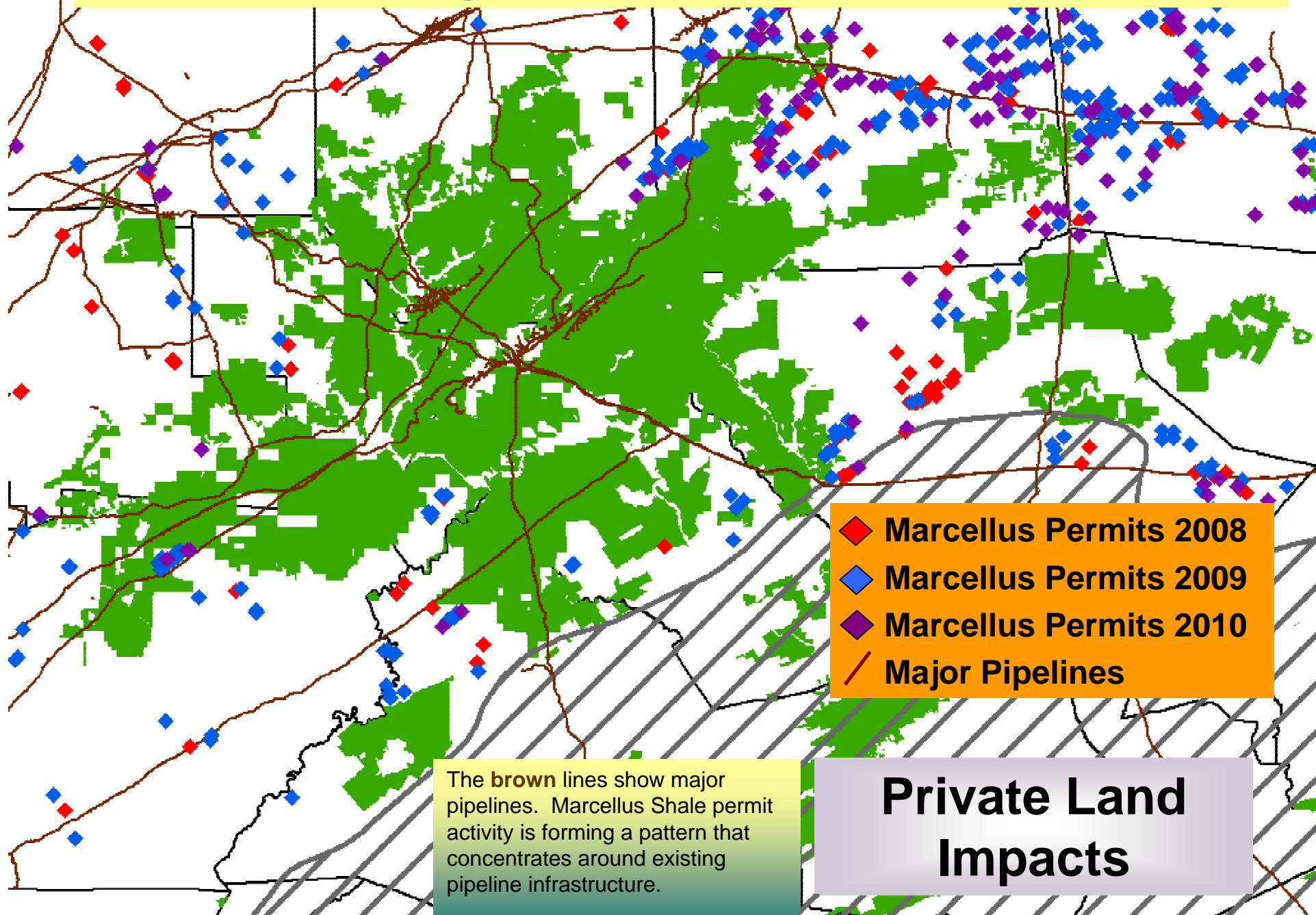
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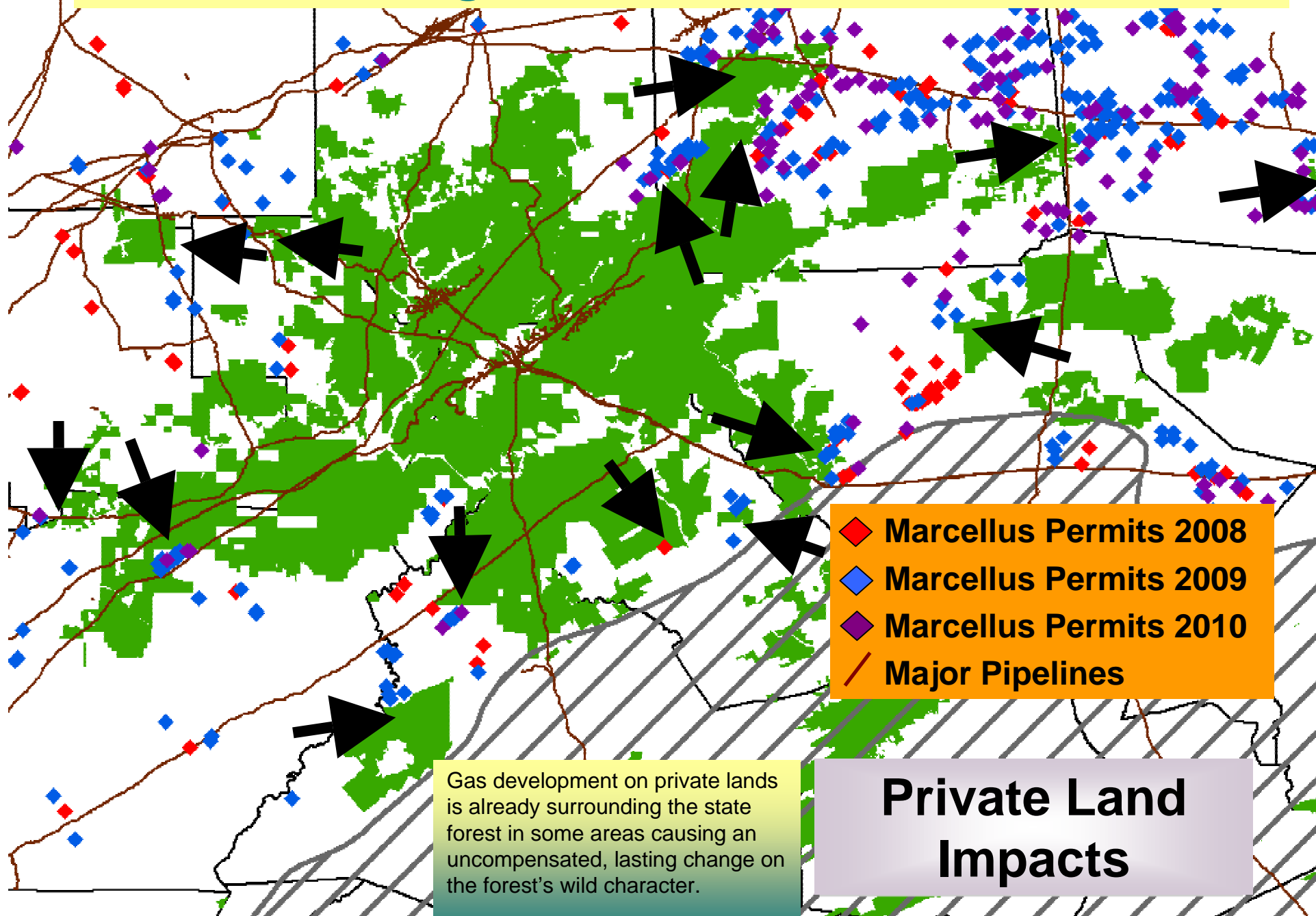
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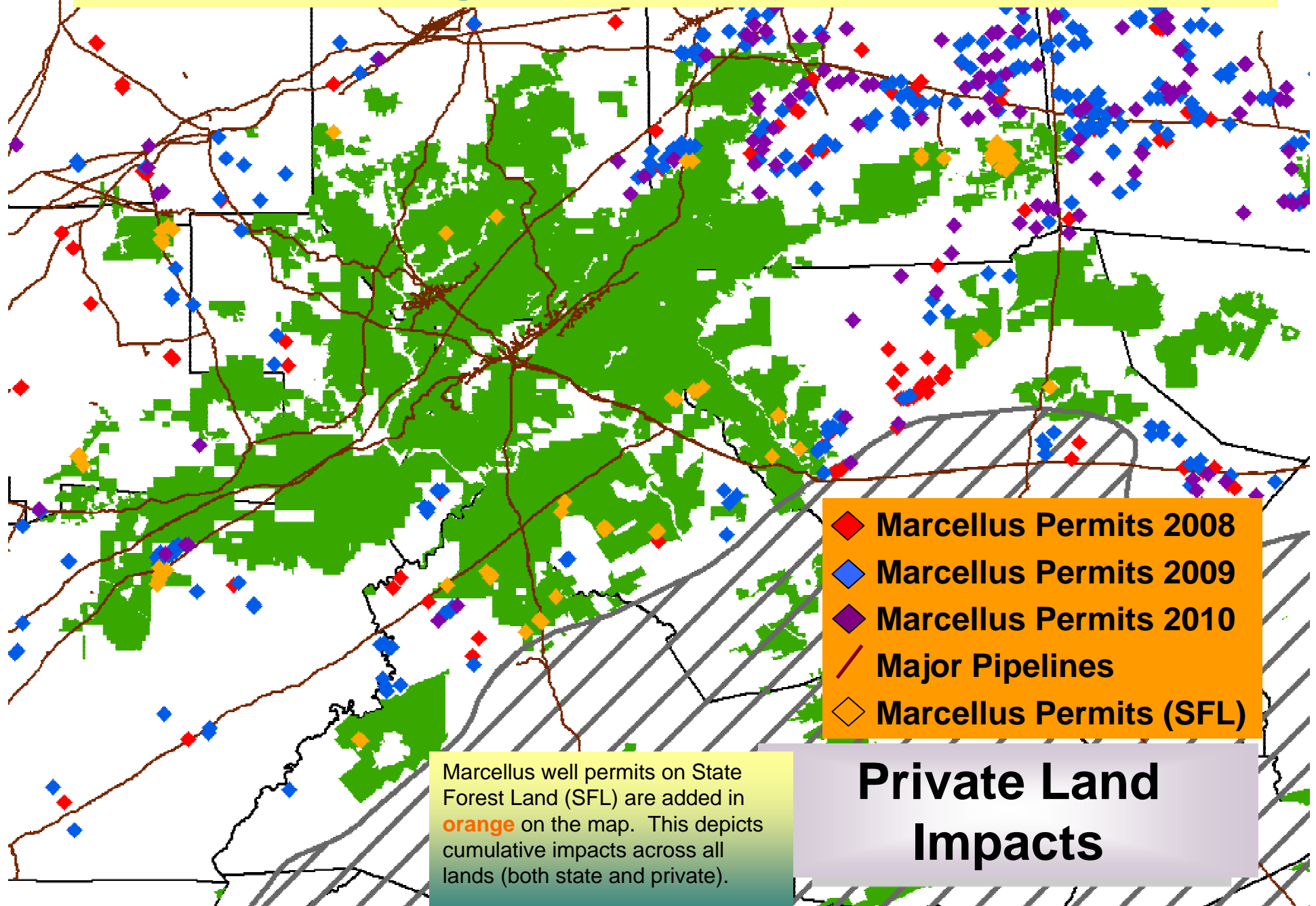
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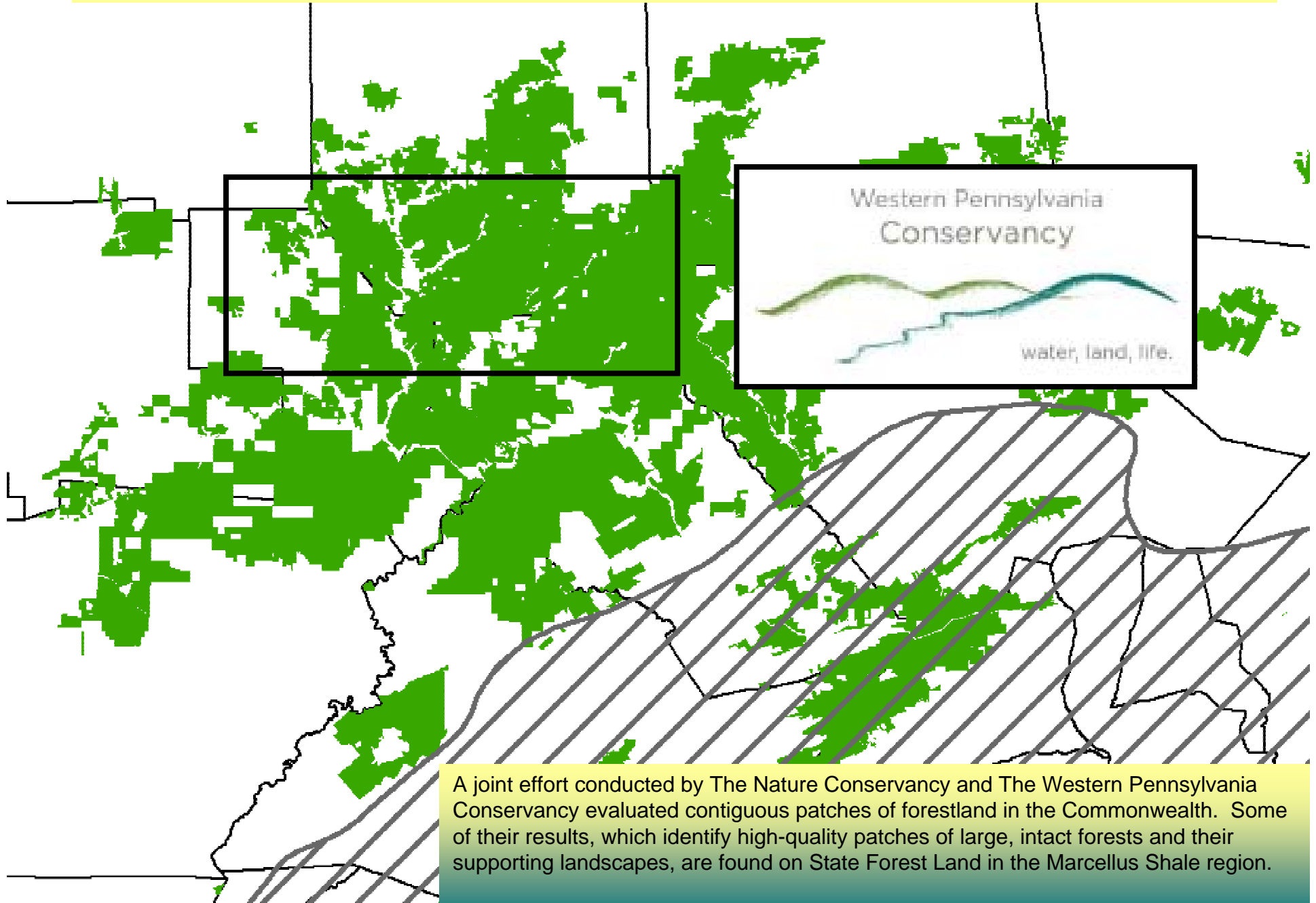
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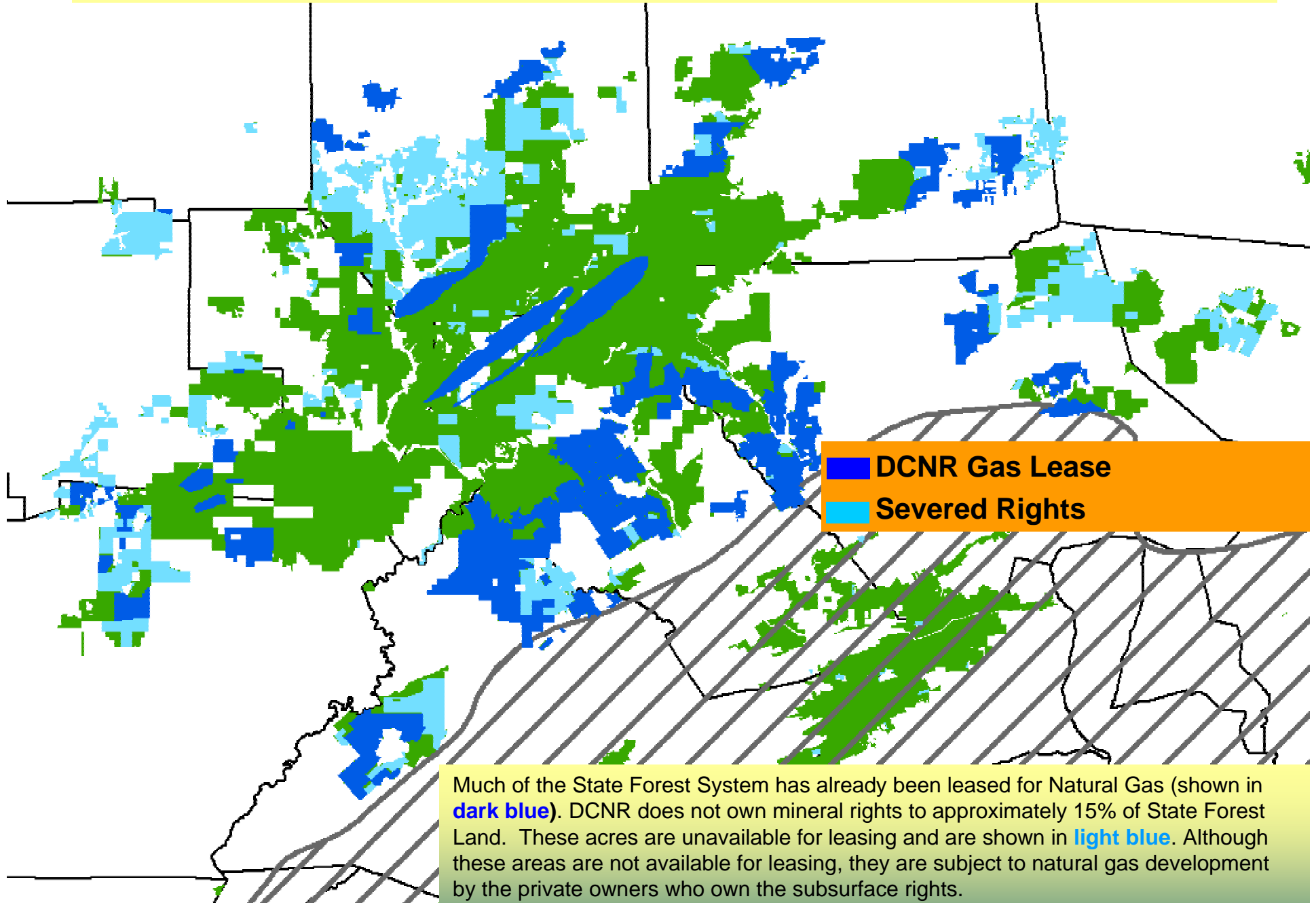
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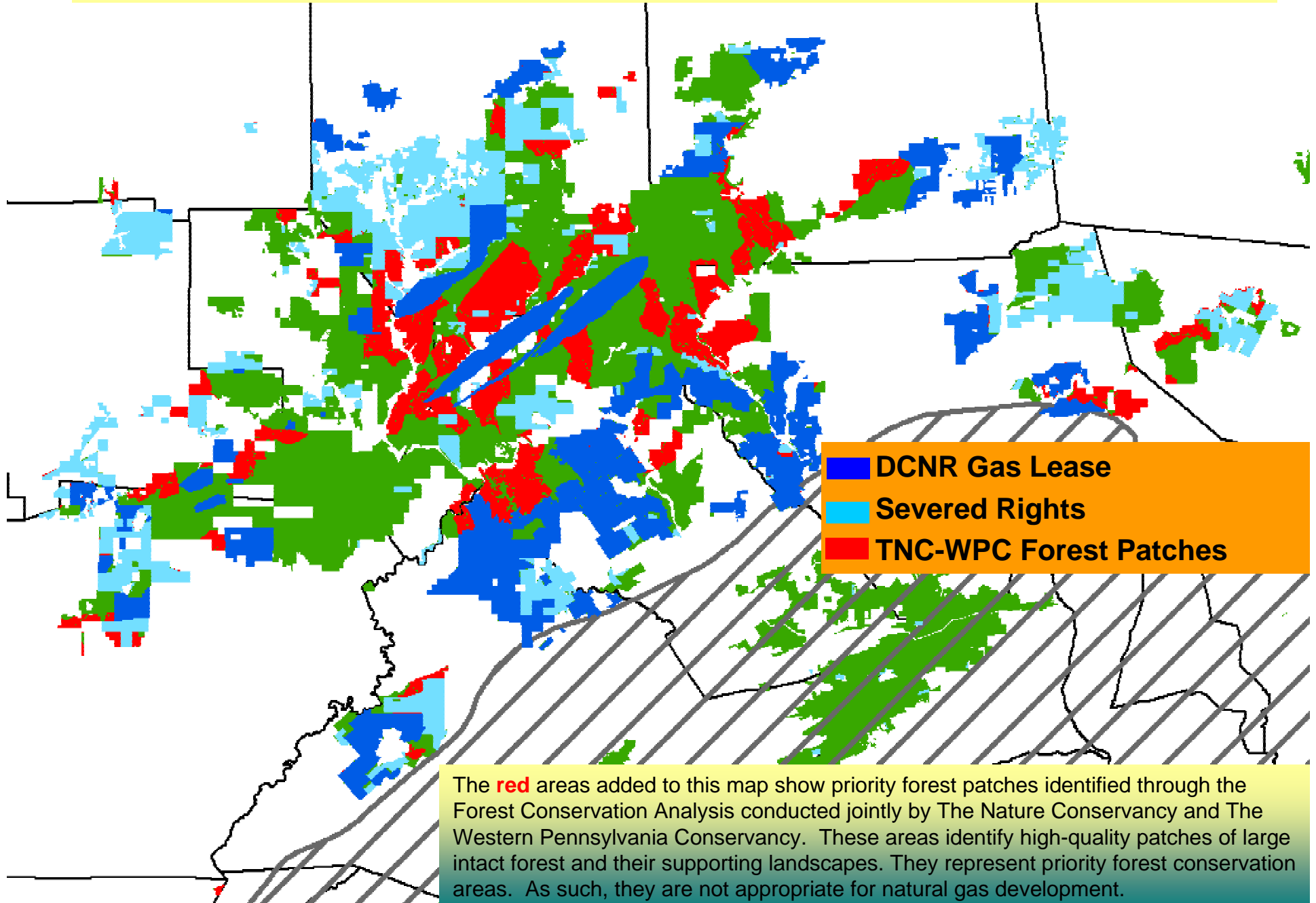
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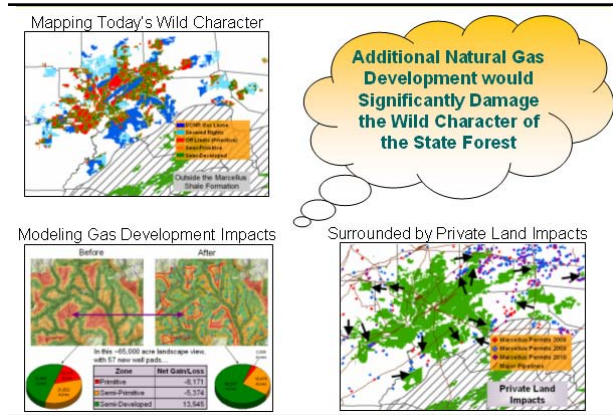
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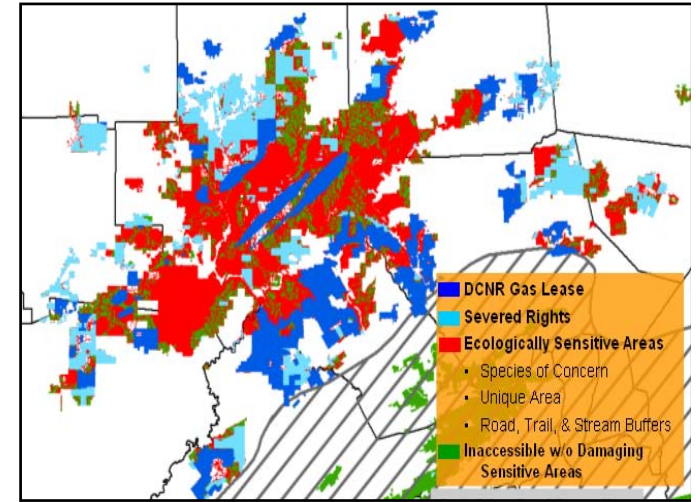
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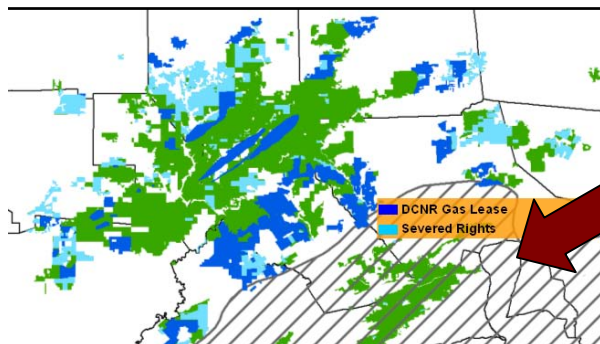


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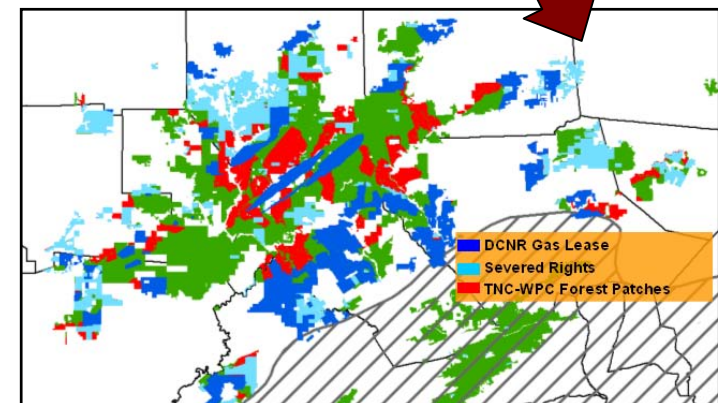


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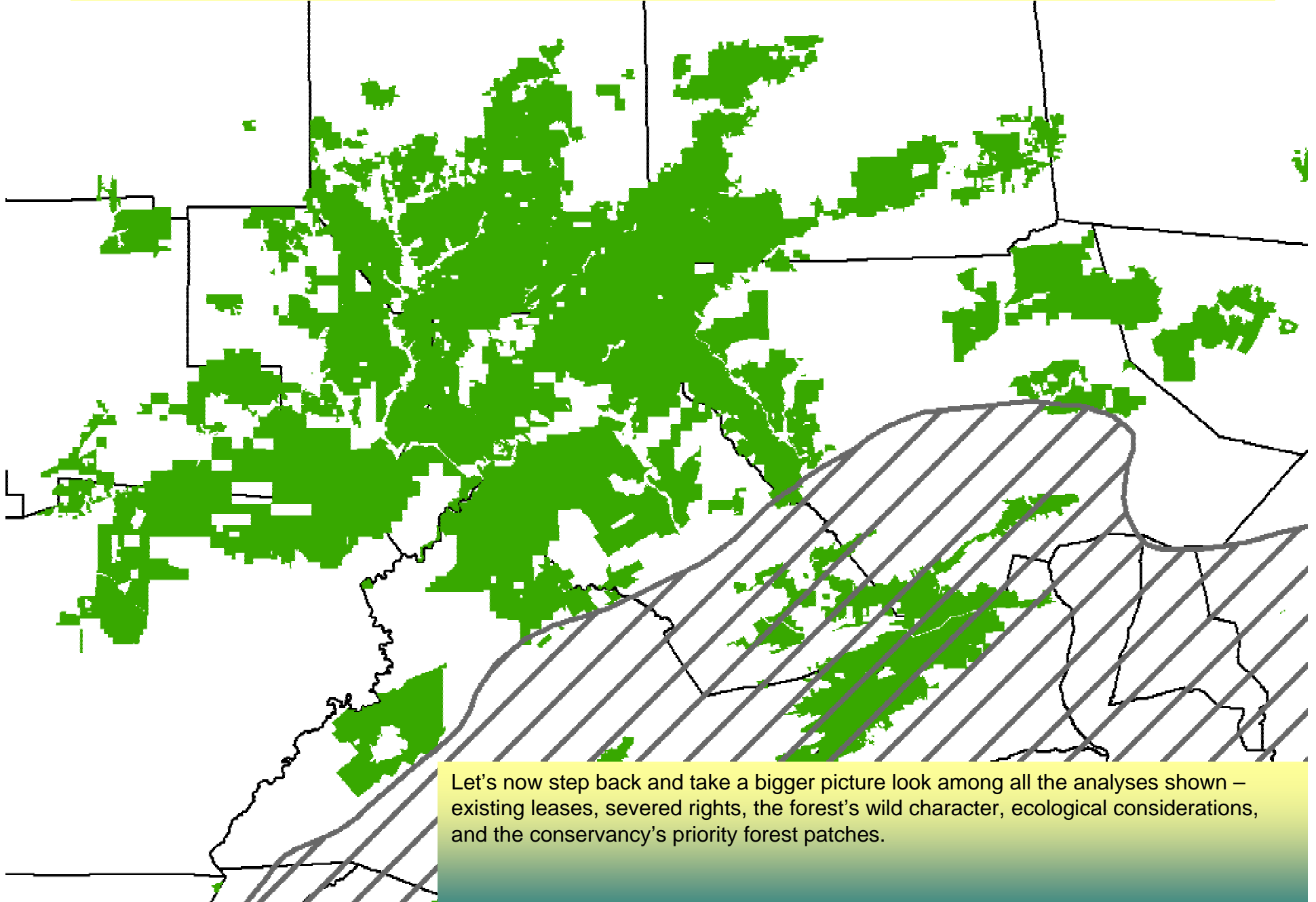
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Existing Leases & Severed Rights



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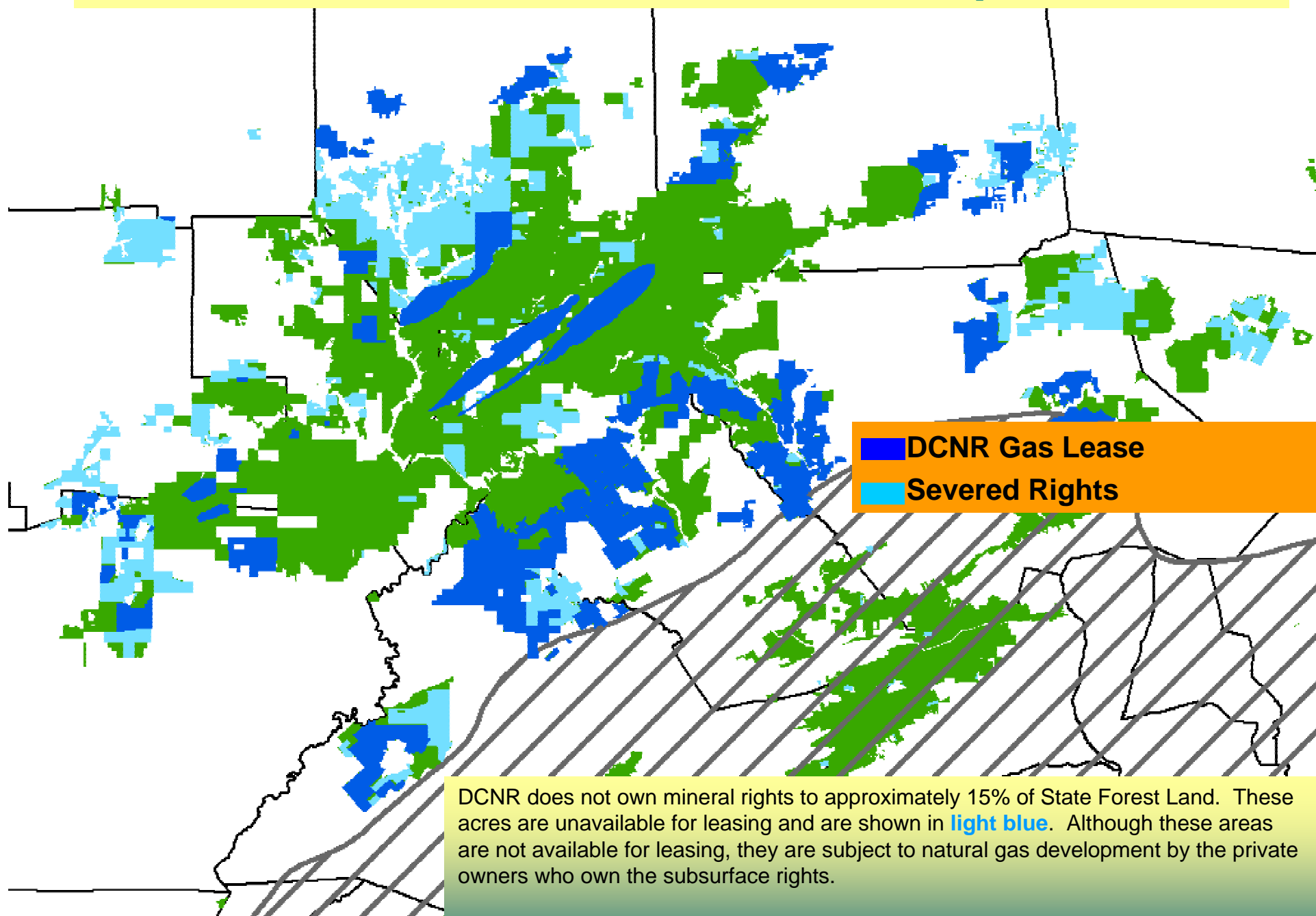


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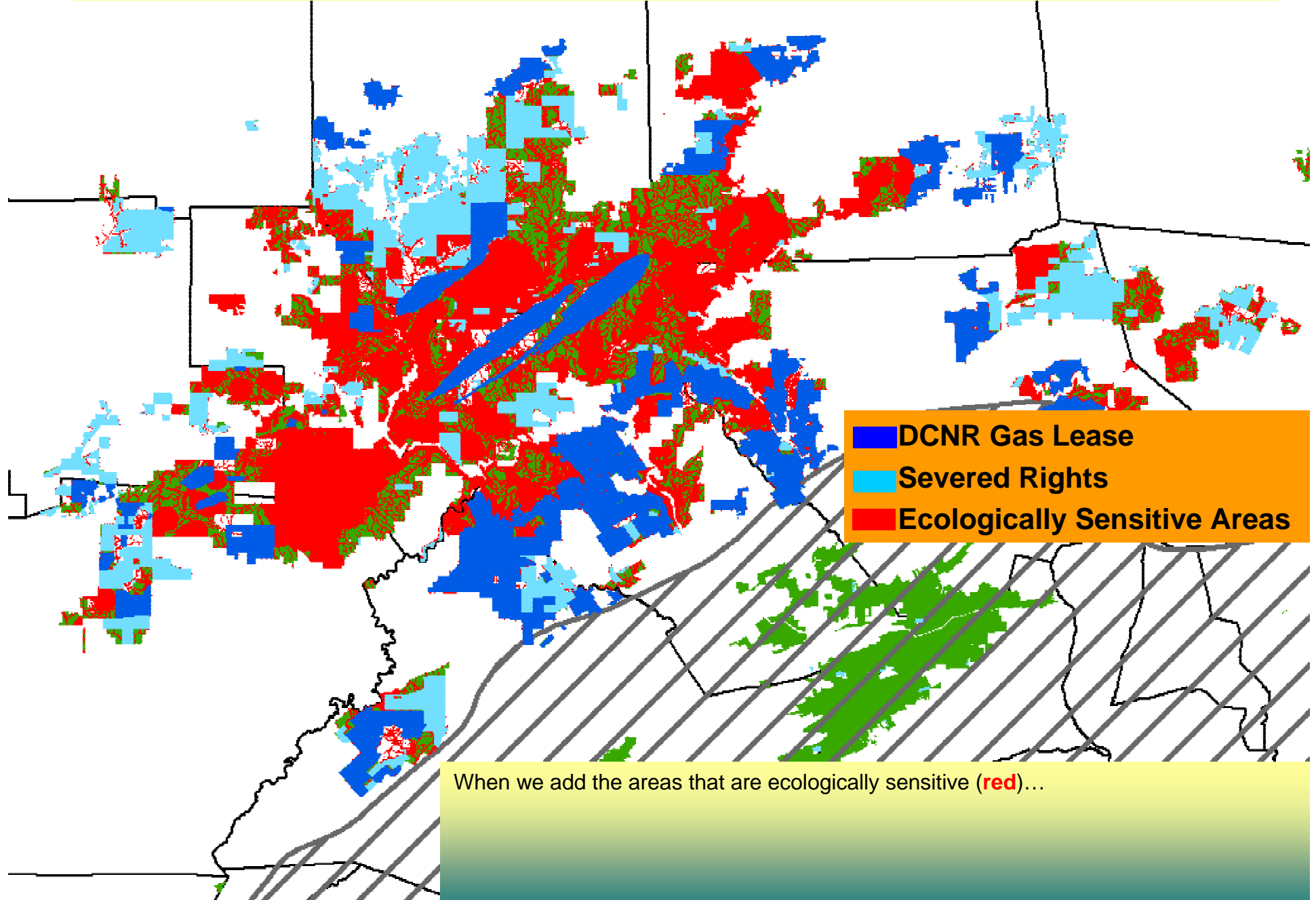
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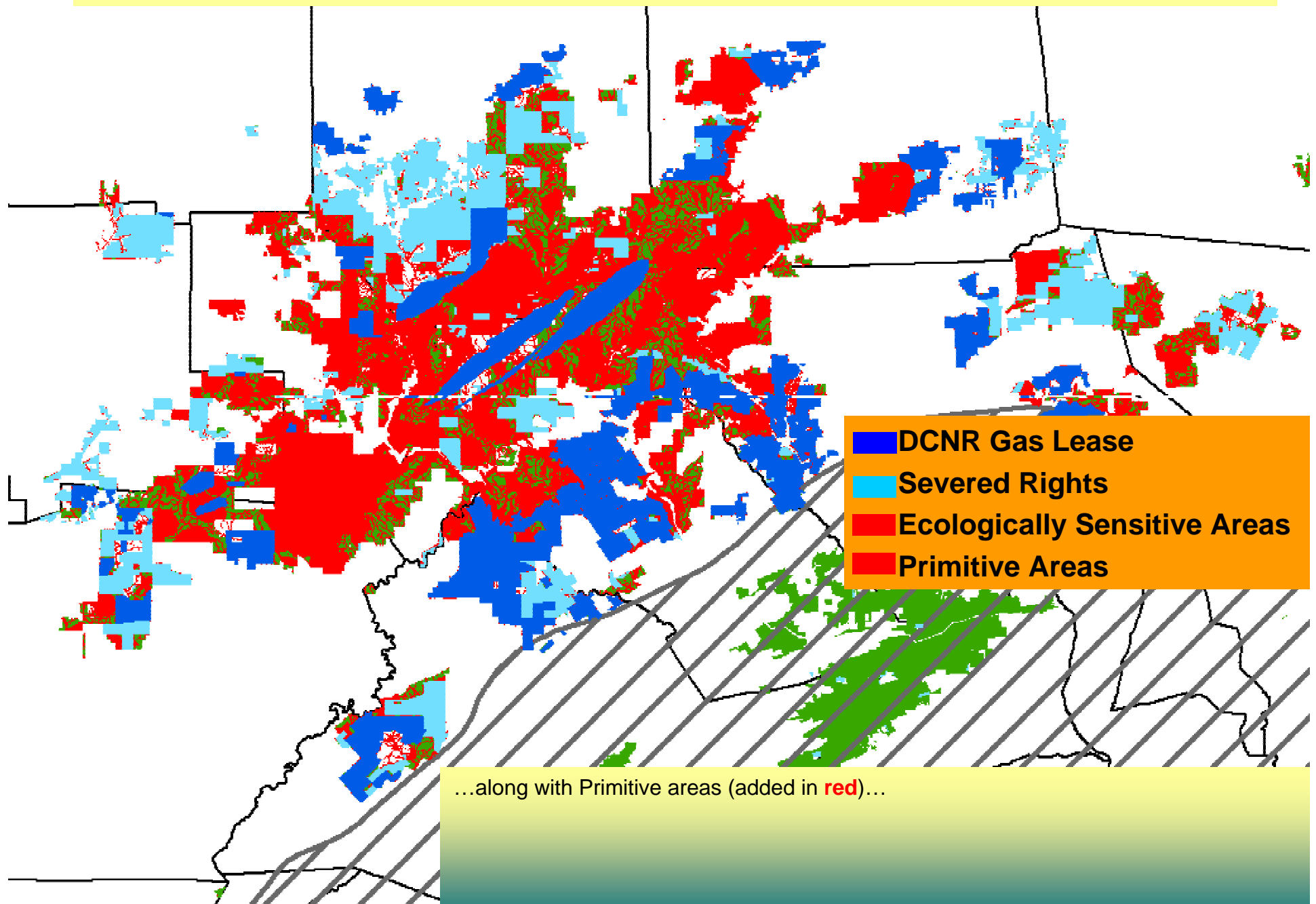
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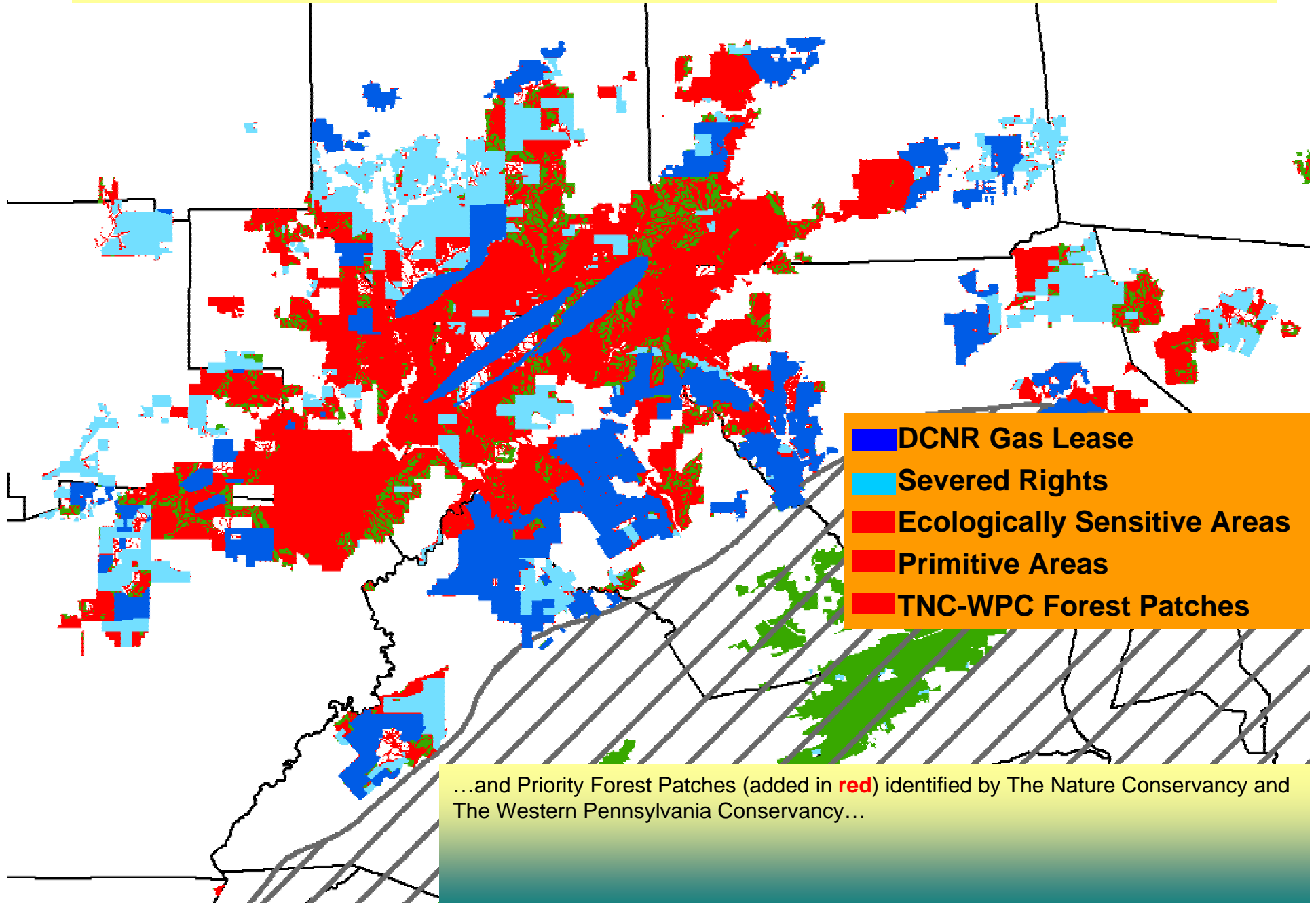
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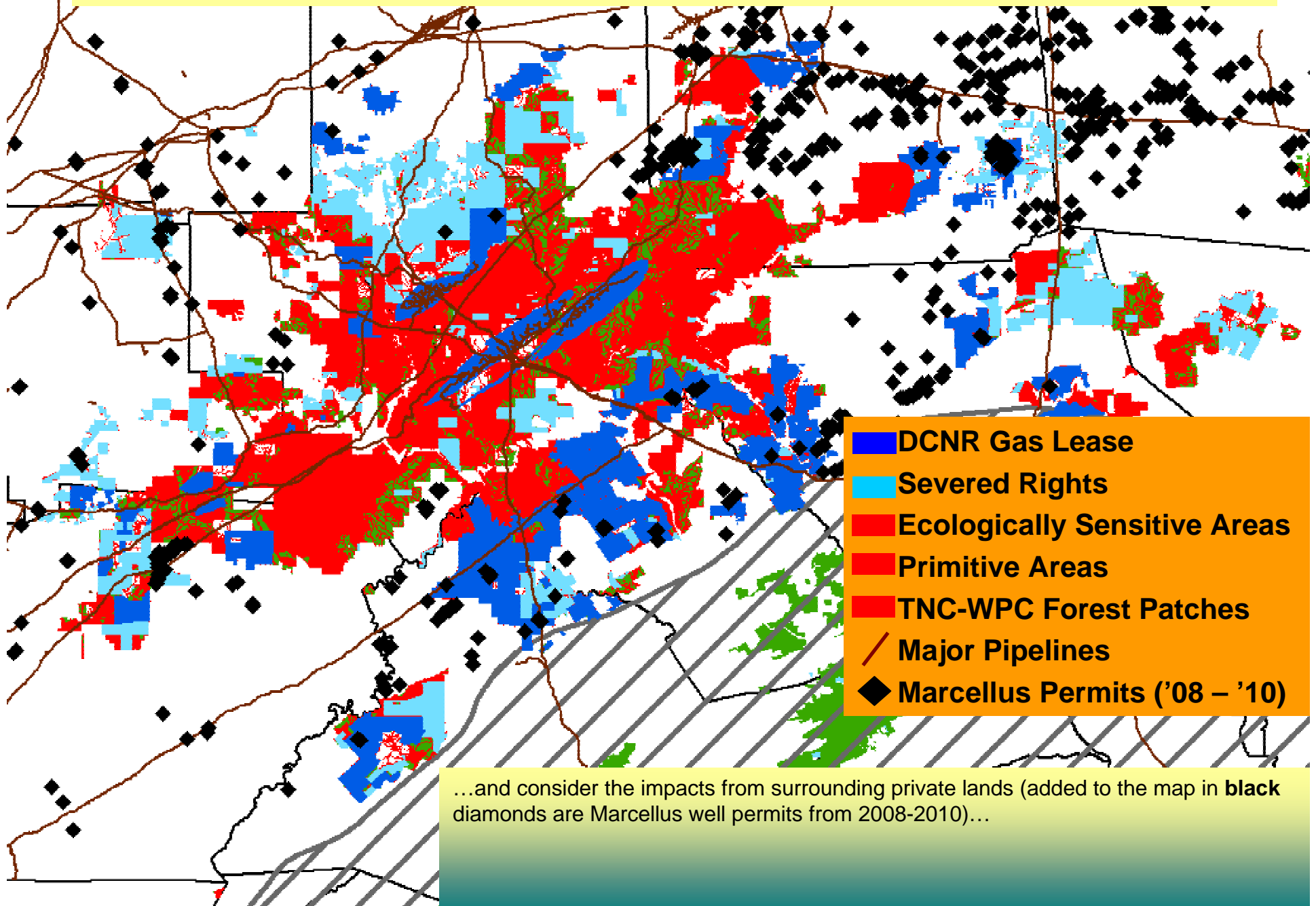
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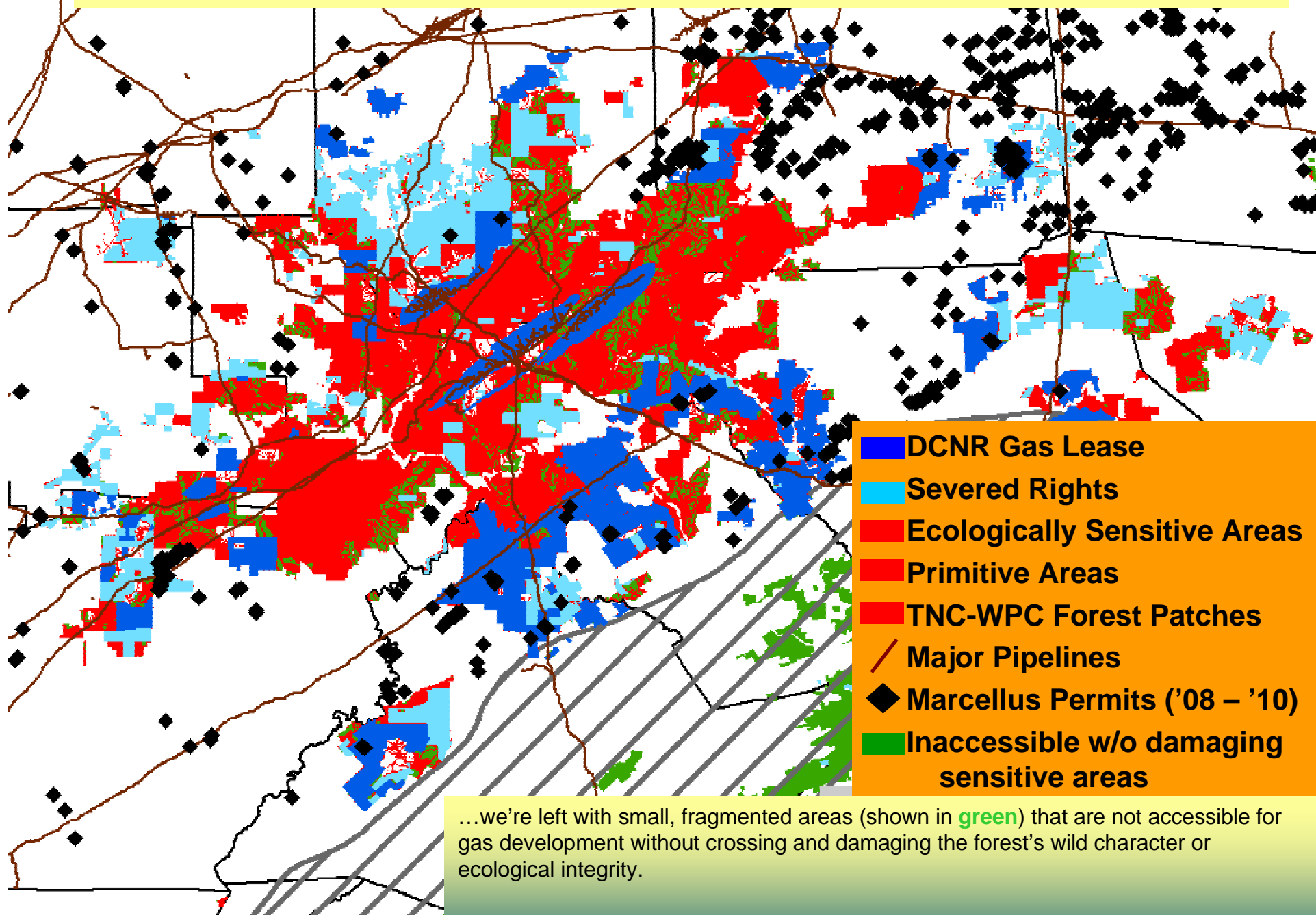
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Conclusion

1,500,000 acres

-700,000 acres

-702,500 acres

97,500 acres

-27,500 acres

70,000 acres

-49,600 acres

20,400 acres

-20,400 acres

0 acres

...in the marcellus shale region

...currently under lease / severed rights

...unleased in ecologically sensitive areas

...additional Primitive land

...additional TNC-WPC
forest patches

...inaccessible w/o damaging
sensitive areas

There are zero State Forest
Land acres suitable for
gas leasing involving
surface disturbance.